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## **Artists & Makers Studios in Rockville Features Bill Johnson and “Friends and Landscapes of the Mind”**

(Rockville, MD) – Artists & Makers Studios on Parklawn Drive in Rockville is delighted to host Bill Johnson for the month of January. The exhibit, “Friends and Landscapes of the Mind” runs from January 3rd through January 24th at Artists & Makers Studios, with an opening reception on Friday, January 5th, 5 – 8pm. The show features many new nonobjective mixed media paintings and some of his older work. Each painting exhibits the mysterious quality of perceived intentional figures where no intention can be pinpointed. One admirer likened this to the psychological phenomenon in which people see faces and patterns in a random stimulus. The show invites the viewer to slow the eye, open the mind, and come play in the created landscape. Another admirer described Johnson’s work as “a mystery that blurs the lines between intentional genius and happy accident.” Johnson is adept at the “first I’m hidden, and then I’m found” technique. At first glance, the average person will see only lots of color and motion; but, with a little imagination and a relaxed eye the hidden landscapes and characters emerge. Enjoy additional exhibits **“White”** with Resident Artists – on view in the Gallery Hall, along with nineteen Gallery 209 Member Artists exhibiting their latest work. Shop and support working artists, makers, and professionals.

### **“Friends and Landscapes of the Mind” with Bill Johnson “White” with Resident Artists The Artists of Gallery 209**

#### **Opening Reception**

5:00pm – 8:00pm, Friday, January 5th, 2024

#### **Artists & Makers Studios**

11810 Parklawn Drive, Suite 210

Rockville, MD 20852

#### **Meet the Artist Saturday, January 13th, 1:00pm – 3:00pm**

Viewing hours are 10:00am – 4:00pm, Monday-Saturday, and Sundays by chance or appointment. [Artists & Makers Studios](http://ArtistsAndMakersStudios.com) on Parklawn Drive in Rockville, established in October 2014 by artist and arts community builder Judith HeartSong, is a 13,000 sq. ft. facility is home to 87 artists, and 80 student artists. Artists & Makers Studios – Oro Valley, AZ is a three-year-old jewel box location with talented Resident Artists, 3,575 sq ft of studios, galleries, and flex-classroom space. Construction is currently underway in San Gabriel, CA for Artists & Makers Studios’ third location, with construction set to begin shortly for the fourth location in North Hollywood, CA. A&M Studios is dedicated to providing a supportive and vibrant environment for artists to realize their creative goals - through studio practice, collaboration, education, opportunities, networking and connecting with the community beyond our doors.

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