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**COMMUNITY INVITED TO ART RECEPTION FOR
LOCAL ARTIST MELISSA RESCH**

December 26, 2025 – Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin – The community is invited to attend a reception on Friday, January 9 from 4:30-6:00 p.m., at the Door County Community Foundation, 222 N 3rd Avenue in Sturgeon Bay. The reception kicks off the Lobby Gallery Winter Exhibition featuring works by Door County resident and artist Melissa Resch.

Resch holds a BFA in painting from Massachusetts College of Art & Design and a Masters in painting from University of Tasmania. She has lived on five continents and visited all 50 U.S. states, settling in Door County in 2017. In 2020 she opened her studio at 45 South 3rd Avenue in Sturgeon Bay.

Inspired by abstract expressionism and mid-century modern style, Resch extracts the essence of familiar objects and places to celebrate fresh ways of viewing them through a variety of mediums: oil painting, works on paper, textile art, and assemblage. Lines and shapes appear, disappear, and reappear to imply architecture, farms, bridges, boats, waterways, shadows, or living creatures. Her work invites open narratives and contemplation about our relationships to spaces we inhabit.

Each season, different Door County artists are invited to exhibit their work at the Door County Community Foundation's Lobby Gallery. The Gallery is normally open to the public during the Community Foundation's regular hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The Door County Community Foundation, Inc. is a collection of separate charitable funds set up by individuals, families, non-profit organizations, private foundations and businesses that are managed, invested and disbursed for the current and future good of Door County. The Community Foundation was launched in 1999, currently administers more than \$65 million in assets, and distributes more than \$7 million to charities every year.



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