

# **The Mezzanine Gallery to Exhibit “Human Connection” by Olga Nielsen**

**On view from September 6-27, 2019  
Free opening reception on Friday,  
September 6, at 5 p.m.**

Wilmington, Del. (August 27, 2019) – “Human Connection,” an exhibition of sculptures, pastels, and drawings by Olga Nielsen, will be on view in the Delaware Division of the Arts’ Mezzanine Gallery from September 6-27, 2019. The artist will host a free opening reception on Friday, September 6, from 5-7 p.m. Nielsen will present quick sketching sessions with a live model who will pose for short sketches during the opening reception. Visitors are invited to bring their sketchbooks and pencils.

A nationally recognized artist, Nielsen works in a classical realistic tradition of figurative art, whether her medium is clay or pastel. She will exhibit three-dimensional sculpture and relief sculpture which has a flat background with images rising above it into space. To complement the sculpture, Nielsen will hang pastel and charcoal portraits on the surrounding walls.

Her work is inspired by the beauty of the human form, and most of her sculptures, paintings, and drawings focus on the female figure. Nielsen captures the everyday moments of life, their poetry, and their timeless universal meaning. She explains that the connection between the artist and the viewer is the purpose of her art.

Image: Sophomore, 2016, Bronze, 22" x 12" x 10"

The [Mezzanine Gallery](#), open weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., is located on the second floor of the Carvel State Office Building, 820 N. French Street, Wilmington. The "Human Connection" exhibition was previously scheduled for March 2019, but was delayed due to construction in the Carvel Building.

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