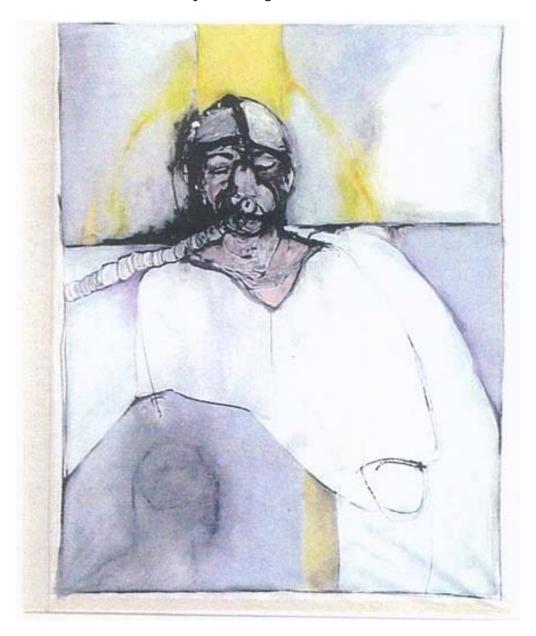
## The Gift or A Force of Nature: Paintings to My Mother

## **Margaret Wilson**

July 9<sup>th</sup> - August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010



The Gallery on the Green
Located at the Canton Town Green
At the intersection of Rt 44 and Dowd Ave

Gallery Hours: Fri, Sat, Sun 1 to 5 pm Or by appointment (860) 693-4102 During the last weeks of my mother's life in the hospital, the images of her lying in that bed, hooked up to all those machines and apparatus was haunting. A friend suggested that I draw as a way to divest myself of the image and as a way to honor her. I told my mother this, and asked if she would mind if I did some drawings of her as I kept her company....she readily agreed, sitting up proudly in the hospital bed, striking a pose while the machines beeped, and the apparatus sucked and sighed....a dying gift to me.

She has been described as a "force of nature"; these small landscape paintings are a tribute to her, and the seasonal references mark the passage of time after her death. In their celebratory nature, they are soft solace and counterpoint to the dark, tortured images of her death.

## **Exhibition List**

1	Death Waits	oil on paper	\$350
2	Sleep	oil on paper	\$350
3	To See My Mother	oil on paper	\$750 (sold)
4	My Beautiful Feet	oil on paper	NFS
5	Near Death2	acrylic on canvas	NFS
6	Two Points	oil on paper	\$350
7	First spring: tree from her window	oil/paper	\$175
8	First summer: Block Island tree	oil/paper	\$175
9	Snow on her 86 <sup>th</sup> birthday	oil/paper	\$175
10	) Snowscape #7	oil/paper	\$175
11	Second spring #3	oil/pastel/paper	\$200
12	2 Summer: waking up	oil/craypas/paper	\$175
13	Second spring #5	oil/pastel/paper	\$175
14	Cemetery view #4	oil/paper	\$175
15	Second spring (after Joan Mitchell)	oil/pastel/paper	\$175 (sold)