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Fleeting Designs Captured in Unique Art Display

WEST GROVE, Pa. – January 19, 2016 – How does an artist who works with changing colors create permanent artworks? Glenn Bentley has been experimenting since 2002 with “acrylic emulsion,” a technique of swirling paint on a gel base, then photographing the result to capture a stable image. His latest acrylic emulsions are on display at Avon Grove Library through March 11. A public reception is planned for Saturday, January 30 at 3 pm, and all are welcome to meet the artist and view his works.

Glenn Bentley’s method is based on the ancient “water staining” process of creating intricate swirls and whorls of color. Traditionally such images were transferred to paper or fabric, but Mr. Bentley has found photography ideal for capturing the quickly evolving patterns of the pigments.

Glenn Bentley was born and raised in Sydney, Australia, earning degrees in engineering and land planning. He met his American wife Becky Pauly on the Matterhorn, and has lived in Pennsylvania since 1981. Mr. Bentley currently works for the Chester County Planning Commission.

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