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Sánchez to host Art Reception for Jamaica Plain Artist, Christine Jozitis, on December 13, 2011

BOSTON—State Representative Jeffrey Sánchez (D-Jamaica Plain) will host an art reception for Christine Jozitis, a Jamaica Plain resident and artist. The reception will be held in Room 130 at the Massachusetts State House on Tuesday, December 13, 2011 from 4PM-7PM. Ms. Jozitis' art exhibit is entitled "Internal Navigation" and will showcase a plethora of artistic genres such as paintings and mixed media.

Jozitis says of her work, "My work is mainly about experience. Through art, I elaborate on my own human relationships and experiences with the hope that others will relate to the universal journey and process, and begin to examine their own. I like using art to communicate an emotion and to bridge the gaps between what we struggle to verbalize. I am drawn to art because of its ability to act as a universal language. My goal in being an artist is not to showcase myself and my work, but rather to use art as a tool to influence education, communication, self-expression, and healing."

Jozitis further states, "I am excited to participate in this show because I feel that it is important for the state entities to support the arts. The arts are such a vital part of our community and culture. I'm happy to be a part of something that will let artists and aspiring artists know that they are supported and needed in our community."

Ms. Jozitis is a recent graduate of Lesley University with a Bachelor's of Science (B.S.) in Art Therapy. She currently works for a non-profit that provides community employment services, habilitation, and clinical services for adults who have autism.

This event is free and open to the public.

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