

ELISA PRITZKER

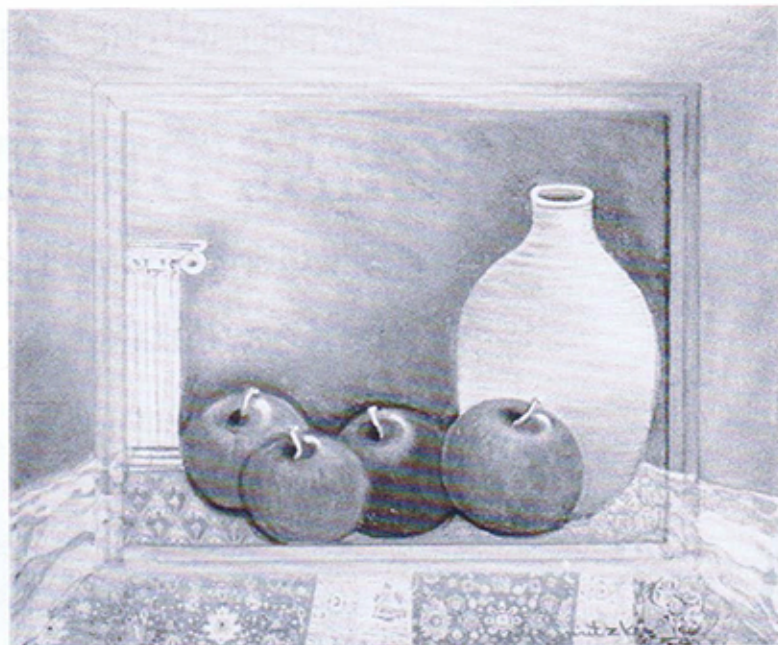
Two Solo Exhibitions

Two upcoming one-person exhibitions of Elisa Pritzker's work are being presented in upstate New York. The artist's new series reflect the influence of Greek Mediterranean forms and styles as well as the traditions of the Hudson Valley.



"Golden Times III", acrylic and mixed media.

Elisa Pritzker expresses her full range of imagination and alignment with past, present and future in these mixed media paintings that employ classical motifs with contemporary vision. Exquisite forms, such as urns, columns, arches and ripe, rounded fruits are delicately balanced with an attention to detail, as in the execution of intricate fabric design.



"Fruits of the Earth", acrylic and mixed media.

Her palette is warm and vibrant with an emphasis on earth tones which contrast with shades of either deep, dark, or clear, light, blues like the Aegean Sea at different times of the day. Pritzker is a story-teller who weaves fantasy with reality. She establishes new relationships for the forms she selects and then illuminates them with the warm sunlight or dramatizes them with the darkness of the night. Her method of painting and framing these works in such a way to increase the sense of depth and shadows imbues them with a tactile and accessible presence. These new works increasingly remind us of the artist's attunement with the metaphysical forces and the power of visual images to renew and enlighten the viewer. Again, Pritzker has proven her versatility and her talent for engaging us to see the old in a new way.

Recognized internationally for both her paintings and sculpture, Pritzker has exhibited extensively throughout the U.S., as well as in South America, Europe and Israel. She was awarded an Award of Excellence in the 1996 *Manhattan Arts International* Art Competition and she is included in the *Who's Who of American Women*, 20th edition 1997-1998. Her lifetime work, 25 years in the arts, is available for student through a permanent file maintained at the National Museum of Women in the Arts, in Washington, DC. Pritzker takes an active role in the art community as Artistic and Art Gallery Director of the Highland Cultural Center. She recently curated "Unison's 20th Anniversary Retrospective" (seven shows), in New Paltz, NY, "Latin America: Color, Texture, Form", and "Global Sisters in Peace", at the State University of New York.

March 3-31, 1997

Emily Hoysradt Art Gallery
YWCA of Ulster County
209 Clinton Ave., Kingston, NY
Tel: (914) 338-6844
Hrs: Mon.-Fri. 9-5

April 24-May 31

Cummeen-Hacket Cultural Center Art Gallery
9 Vassar Street, Poughkeepsie, NY

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-- Alexandra Shaw



"Mediterranean Woman", acrylic and mixed media.