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**Danielle Tari Hendricks:
Impressions of Asia (paintings)
June 2 - September 10, 2006**

Danielle grew up in the French Alps. Since arriving in the United States in the early 1960's, she has lived in New York City, Connecticut and now resides in Arizona with her husband. Her studies include comparative religions, mythology and mysticism, from both Eastern and Western traditions. She has immersed herself in the cultural and artistic traditions of numerous societies; including China, Tibet, Indonesia, as well as Europe and the United States. Her work is included in private collections in many parts of the world. She works in her studio in North Scottsdale.

Among her training in art studies are such prestigious study venues as Ecole du Louvre in Paris; Bali: in Ubud with I Wayan Karja, Dean of the School of Fine Arts, in Denpasar; in Connecticut, Silvermine School of Arts, in New Canaan; and Arizona State University.

The theme of this present exhibition is not surprising given Ms Hendrick's background and experiences. The art of action painting relies heavily on the artists ability to delve deeply into the psyche and the ability to execute one's own response to the findings there. The task is akin to an actor's reliance on the same kind of probing to produce a character. Hovering on the edge, there is always a modicum of control to perform the final physical act of laying down the paint in a manner befitting the expression.

Danielle describes the process herself in this way: "As an action painter my interest is primarily in the movement and the energy that comes through that movement. Those moments of motion and creativeness come to life in a basic structure of loose layers of paint veiling and revealing the gesture beneath.

I work intuitively, inspired by memory and nature, using many layers of acrylics, pigments, oils, inks and glazing as well as collages and (work) until the intended image emerges to the surface creating a visual and emotional impact."

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“China Suite No. 9” mixed media by Danielle Tari Hendricks



“China Suite No. 6” mixed media by Danielle Tari Hendricks



“Dancing Grass 4” mixed media by Danielle Tari Hendricks



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