

## **Art Basel Miami Beach 2009 – A Master Among Us, The Art of Helene M Weiss**

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*Miami Beach, FL - Hotel St. Augustine names Miami based fine artist, Helene M. Weiss, Art Basel-Artist in Residence in honor of the prestigious art show. HeleneWeiss/ART @ Hotel St. Augustine, an exhibit of abstract works, December 2 - 31, 2009*

Hotel St. Augustine proudly presents, "Light & Energy", a comprehensive collection of abstract works featuring the critically acclaimed 2005 masterpiece, "FIVE" by Miami artist and Elizabeth Morse Genius Foundation award recipient, Helene M Weiss.

The exhibit, hosted in the elegant lobby of the boutique style hotel located in the South of Fifth (SoFi) district of Miami Beach will feature a silent auction commencing on Wednesday, December 2 with winning bid(s) announced on Sunday, December 6. In addition, the exhibits featured painting, "FIVE" will be available for purchase in 5x7 greeting cards; including a limited number Art Basel commemorative cards signed Helene Weiss, Art Basel Miami Beach 2009. Art Basel attendees, members of the community and all art lovers are welcome to the month long no reservations, no invite, no fee exhibit.

### Reviews

"Helene Weiss has had an open dialogue with the viewer. Pairing both the delicacy and fragility of life against its strengths and triumphs, she has arrived at a balance she likens to the teachings of Thai Chi"

"The overall harmony that is present in Helene Weiss' paintings draw upon years of experience and process. Her paintings have reached a level of understanding and sophistication that communicates an intuitive link between strength and sublime beauty"

"Helene's work captures the tangled human experience in all its despair and beauty, transporting viewers on an unconscious trip thru life's truth's and circumstances, at each point in between, the work invites memories & personal choice, ultimately leading viewers back to conscious acknowledgement of the work, life and who he or she is at that moment"

### About the artist

Helene M. Weiss is a prolific painter gifted with the range, instinct, style and technique afforded only arts great masters. Ms. Weiss, now 70 has amassed a portfolio of art sixty-two years in the making, an extensive collection of original paintings born of feeling, emotion and the complexities of everyday life. Original works include figurative, abstract, still life and pencil drawings, each a masterpiece from conception defined by color, form and a fluidity that is not literal, not clever, rather relatable and profound.

Born 1939 in Brooklyn, New York, Helene Weiss has literally been painting all her life. In grade school, her art instructor at the Center Academy in Brooklyn and his then colleague, aspiring artist Mark Rothko took notice of Helene's natural gift, urging the Weiss family to nurture and encourage the blossoming abilities of a then seven-year-old Helene.

Attending Boston University's School of Fine & Applied Arts Helene received a scholarship to study at the Brooklyn Museum of Art where her work received top honors in the Museum's "Fence Art Show." Helene was later awarded a fellowship to the world renowned, Provincetown Workshop, a host to premiere artists from around the world and the place she would meet personal mentors, famed artists Robert Motherwell

and Helen Frankenthaler.

Helene Weiss|ART has been exhibited in galleries across the country and throughout her native New York, including The National Arts Gallery, Lincoln Center, Brooklyn Museum of Art and The Cloisters, Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Today, Ms. Weiss enjoys an international following thanks in large part to Art Basel and the print media, most notably, the acclaimed book published in 2007, "Miami Contemporary Artists", which named Helene as one of the "key artists who have played a role in bringing the cultural evolution of Miami to fruition"

To learn more about Helene Weiss and her art, please visit Art as Oxygen at [www.heleneweissart.com](http://www.heleneweissart.com) or email [agent@heleneweissart.com](mailto:agent@heleneweissart.com)

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