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Artwork by Katie DesRochers
Regarding Face: Portraits of People and Places
Exhibition Dates: October 1-November 20, 2007
Artist Reception: Saturday October 6, 5:30-7pm

Carina Cellars is proud to welcome Santa Barbara artist Katie Desrochers to the Tasting Room for the first show in their Fall Art Series. A recent graduate from UC Santa Barbara with degrees in both English and Philosophy, Desrochers is a completely self-taught artist and a self-proclaimed painter since childhood. Attributing much of the influences on her current work to her studies at UCSB, Desrochers enjoys focusing on painting portraits of people and places. "I try to reconcile the surreality of memory and hindsight with the reality of faces and representation," said Desrochers. "A lot of my work has a really illustrative quality that comes from all the reading I do."

Upon returning from three months spent in Europe last summer, Desrochers had also amassed a wealth of photographs and memories, which have inspired several pieces for this show. One rather dark and ethereal piece depicts a night spent in Prague, Germany, while a series of three portraits captures herself and her two best friends at various stages of their journey. "I don't see art as anything but illustration," Desrochers states. "In each piece I try to convey a certain theme or feeling that I experienced, which is why all my subject matter is usually so personal."

Please join us for our opening reception Saturday October 6 from 5:30-7PM at the Carina Cellars Tasting Room, 2900 Grand Avenue in Los Olivos. For more information check out www.carinacellars.com or call the tasting room at (805) 688-2459.

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