## Davis Orton Gallery Opens: Cambridge on the Hudson?

Karen Davis and Mark Orton—Cantabridigians until this summer—invite all to a reception and opening celebration for their new gallery on Saturday, September 12, 5:30 to 7:30 pm at 114 Warren St. in Hudson, NY.



Called—not surprisingly—the <u>Davis Orton Gallery</u>, it's located on an architecturally rich street famous for its antique shops, galleries and restaurants.

The first Davis Orton exhibition will feature Meg Birnbaum's series of black and white photographs of county fairs throughout New England made using a plastic toy camera.

These evocative images with their antique quality and timeless subjects present a wistful look back while revealing clues that remind us of their contemporary origins.

Birnbaum is an award-winning fine art photographer and graphic designer based in Massachusetts. She has work in the permanent collection at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, the corporate program of the DeCordova Museum and other private and corporate collections. 'Corn Dogs and Blue Ribbons ...' has

recently been exhibited at the Griffin Museum of Photography.

The exhibit will also include photographs by Moira Barrett, Karen Davis, Ellen Feldman, Cassandra Goldwater and Frank Tadley.

The Davis Orton Gallery exhibits contemporary photography, mixed media and a growing number of artist-published photobooks, Davis said. The goal of the gallery is to present mid-career artists and emerging artists whose work deserves a broader audience.

Davis and Orton have taught at Lesley College. While I miss having them close by, I've visited them in Hudson and am excited that they're moving through art into action.

-Anita M. Harris

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