## INQUIRE WITHIN

## PAINTINGS BY MOLLY YERGENS JUNE 24 - JULY 20, 2016



Molly Yergens 921 Broadway, Brooklyn, 2016 Oil on canvas 16 x 20 inches \$1,000.00



Molly Yergens 338 Myrtle, Brooklyn, 2016 Oil on canvas 18 x 24 inches \$1,200.00



Molly Yergens 879 Broadway, Brooklyn, 2016 Oil on canvas 20 x 24 inches \$1,250.00



Molly Yergens 233 Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn, 2016 Oil on canvas 20 x 24 inches \$1,250.00



Molly Yergens 871 Broadway, Brooklyn , 2016 Oil on canvas 24 x 34 inches \$2,000.00



Molly Yergens 104 Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn, 2016 Oil on canvas 20 x 24 inches \$1,250.00



Molly Yergens 677 Broadway, Brooklyn, 2016 Oil on canvas 22 x 28 inches \$1,600.00



Molly Yergens 247 Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn, 2016 Oil on canvas 22 x 28 inches \$1,600.00



Molly Yergens 610 Myrtle, Brooklyn , 2016 Oil on canvas 22 x 28 inches \$1,600.00

## ARTIST STATEMENT

Painter and Fargo native Molly Yergens just celebrated the completion of her first year in New York City. In an effort to make sense of her new surroundings, Yergens on occasion will reject hipster amusements, unique dining experiences and the right hashtags in favor of urban wanderings most closely resembling the activities of a flâneur. What emerged from these excursions were photographic investigations of Brooklyn neighborhoods that provided curiously rich visual reference material for paintings. "Inquire Within: Paintings by Molly Yergens" chronicles the artist's recent adjustment from sleepy, blue-collar, small town Minnesota to a famously sleepless metropolis. The title references the familiar subtitle of a Help Wanted sign. "Inquire Within" suggests a process of inward self-reflection necessitated by the daily visual and auditory onslaught of big city stimuli. The work not only offers glimpses into the small worlds contained within each gritty storefront, but the windows also reveal layers of context, reflecting the signage, architecture and foliage of its surroundings. The artist, visible in the paintings, stealthily wields a small, red Nikon Coolpix and sports a blue hat and orange fanny pack. The obscured reflection of the Midwestern observer reveals cluttered and distorted layers of urban spectacle.