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Wendi Schneider: *Into the Mist*Opening Reception: Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Exhibition on View: June 4<sup>th</sup> August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022

Catherine Couturier Gallery is delighted to present *Into the Mist*, an exhibition of new work by gallery artist Wendi Schneider.

Wendi Schneider is a Denver based visual artist illuminating impressions of grace in the natural world with photography and precious metals. In her latest series, *Into the Mist*, Schneider offers glimpses of respite amidst the vague unknowing that has defined living in the time of COVID. She ventured into the mountains of North Carolina at the end of summer 2020 to find a reprieve in shinrin-yoku, the Japanese term for the practice of forest bathing. The photographs captured on a drive amongst the trees and fog inspired *Into the Mist*.

Seeking balance between the real and imagined, Schneider layers the images digitally with a limited palette of color and texture. The images are printed with archival pigment inks on Japanese kozo paper (made from the inner bark of mulberry trees) and white gold leaf is then applied on the verso. The filtered, dappled light that glimmered through the branches is echoed in the shimmer of the gilded prints. Schneider follows intuitively where each print takes her, creating the variations within the edition.

Born in Memphis, TN in 1955, Schneider holds an AA in Art History from Stephens College and a BA in Painting from Newcomb College at Tulane. Schneider's photographs have been exhibited and collected internationally and are held in permanent collections at New Orleans Museum of Art, Memphis Brooks Museum, Auburn University Library Collection, the Try-Me Collection, and numerous private collections.

The artist will be in attendance at the opening reception on Saturday, June 4th.



Passion Flower II, 2016

Catherine Couturier Gallery is located at 2635 Colquitt St., Houston, TX 77098. Gallery hours are 10am-5pm Tuesday-Saturday. For more information go to our website at <a href="https://www.catherinecouturier.com">www.catherinecouturier.com</a> or for press requests please contact *Katie Higgins* at <a href="mailto:gallery@catherinecouturier.com">gallery@catherinecouturier.com</a>.