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MARCIA COPPEL



I like Things Just the Way They Are by Marcia Coppel (left) *I Heard about it Yesterday* by Marcia Coppel (right)

“Life Is Too Serious”

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Paintings and Drawings

Opening Reception: Friday, March 14, 2008 6 - 8:30 pm

Washington painter Marcia Coppel’s new show of paintings continues her “Life Is Too Serious” theme. Her light-filled paintings are nuanced, balanced, and filled with a surprising range of beautiful color. She paints outdoor cafes, parks, and the beach. Friends talk over coffee and gesticulate or occasionally sit alone and enjoy their surroundings. Stories are suggested but are left to the imagination of the viewer. The work is playful and amusing.

Coppel’s paintings start out as pen and ink drawings done on the spot. They have a squiggly, doodley look - something like Calder. The whole is a most successful harmony of shapes and colors and reflect the fact that she lives and works for several months of the year in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico.

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