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## TIMOTHY JOHNSON'S PHYSIOGNOMY: AN EXHIBITION OF NEW PORTRAITURE

**Opening Reception: Friday, September 8, 6 - 8:30pm**

Meet the Artists: Saturday, September 23, 1 - 4pm

Narrative formed the basis of Washington D.C. artist Timothy Johnson's previous exhibits at Touchstone Gallery, *It's Greek to Me* (2013) and *Two if I See* (2015); but with *Physiognomy*, his new exhibit at Touchstone showing from August 30 through October 1, narrative is tossed in favor of spirit and whimsy.

No theme is evident in this collection of small canvas portraits, but one feature ties *Physiognomy* together: Johnson has painted subtle cues reminiscent of artists and art movements from times past in some of his portrait settings. There is nothing grand or overwhelming; rather mere blushes of history to highlight the striking portraiture.

Those who know Johnson's work will once again see his family and friends as portrait subjects. What they won't see this time is a storyline. *Physiognomy* is simply about being playful, witty and painting for the pure pleasure of it.

Please see the gallery's website [www.touchstonegallery.com](http://www.touchstonegallery.com) for additional information.

*Image: Rachel in Purples 10" x 20"*

