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AT A GLANCE	
Exhibition:	This is Not Pretty
Artist:	Joyce Greenfield
Where:	City Gallery, 994 State Street, New Haven, CT
When:	June 2 - June 25, 2023
Opening Reception:	June 3, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Artist in Gallery:	Sunday, June 4 and June 11 and Sunday, June 11
Gallery Hours:	Friday - Sunday, 12pm - 4 pm, or by appointment, 203-988-6221

This is Not Pretty, A Response to Climate Change by Artist Joyce Greenfield

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Greenfield found her muse in Butler, explaining: "I was inspired by her verbal descriptions and suggested atmosphere, color, and light in a potential new world. There is beauty and damage, fear and violence, potential and HOPE."

For THIS IS NOT PRETTY, Greenfield has chosen plants to represent the possibilities expressed by Butler, but light has always been the focus of her work. "My most successful paintings have been based on New England settings where I found the light atmosphere to be unusual or exceptional in some way." Her subjects have included the power of the Atlantic Ocean and how its environment can change the light, or shapes that appeal and act as a foil for capturing light and changing it." To create her vision of this potential new world, Greenfield uses a combination of new technology and old school painting techniques. "The preliminary work was developed on my iPad with the Procreate app. Those initial images provide me with a direction to create the paintings, which are done in oil on canvas or panels."

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IMAGES Water Under The Bridge, 24 x 36 Wind, 12 x 16 Evolving, 36 x 24

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