"The Cauldron" Bubbles Effervescently at New Century Artists Gallery

Painting approaches the heft, weight and depth of sculpture by sheer virtue of the amount of pigment that Kathryn Hart piles onto the rugged, thickly encrusted surfaces of her compositions, along with roughly ripped pieces of corrugated cardboard, bits of wire and other elements that lend further textural interest. But even their considerable tactile appeal is upstaged by the imagery that Hart conjures up, with universally generalized neoprimitive figures that have been likened by more than one critic for the raw emotional power to the existential Everymen of Alberto Giacometti.

- Byron Coleman

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