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IRIS AND B. GERALD CANTOR ART GALLERY | COLLEGE OF THE HOLY CROSS

*Gabrielle Thierry: The Musicality of the Water Lilies*  
*La Musicalité des Nymphéas*

*Colored Musical Scores inspired by Claude Monet Water Lilies Landscapes*

AUGUST 30 – OCTOBER 7, 2017



Gabrielle Thierry's series of eight large-scale paintings were inspired by her rediscovery of the 'Water Lilies' landscapes by Claude Monet on view at the the Musée de l'Orangerie in Paris. She translated them into colored musical scores, working with special permission to paint on site in the gallery at the museum. The works were created over a period of 18 months from 2010 to 2012 and describe Thierry's explorations with the theory of *synesthesia*, where visual forms are representative of corresponding musical notes. Thierry experiences the musicality she feels is embedded in the semi-abstract impressionist paintings of Monet, which she then transcribes in abstract form on her own canvases.

Thierry resides outside of Paris in Andrésey, France. Before devoting her career to painting 15 years ago, Thierry was an engineer specializing in cognitive sciences and knowledge management. She studied at the Atelier du Carrousel - Louvre and École des Beaux Arts in Paris and obtained a Cambridge, UK graduate degree from Christie's Education. This will be the first exhibition of her work in the United States.

**COVER**  
Musicalité des Nymphéas,  
Reflets d'Arbres, oil on  
canvas, 19 ½" x 83 ½" x 1"

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Musicalité des  
Nymphéas,  
Soleil Levant, oil  
on canvas,  
19 ½" x 59" x 1"



#### EVENTS

##### OPENING RECEPTION

TUESDAY | SEPTEMBER 12  
CANTOR ART GALLERY | 5–7 P.M.  
Opening remarks by the artist at 5:30 p.m.

##### GALLERY TALK by artist Gabrielle Thierry

WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 13  
CANTOR ART GALLERY | NOON

Throughout the exhibition, additional musical presentations will be offered in the Cantor Art Gallery in response to Thierry's paintings, please see the Gallery's website for further information.

#### GALLERY INFORMATION

Founded in 1983 through the generosity of Iris & B. Gerald Cantor, the Cantor Art Gallery serves both as a venue for a changing series of historical and contemporary public exhibitions, as well as a vital resource for the community and Holy Cross faculty and students, linking exhibitions to the broader liberal arts curriculum.

#### HOURS

Monday – Friday 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
Saturday Noon–5:00 p.m.

#### LOCATION

O'Kane Hall, 1st Floor  
College of the Holy Cross

Admission to the gallery is free. Visitors needing assistance with handicap accessibility should call Public Safety at 508-793-2011. For further information please see the Gallery's website at [holy-cross.edu/cantorartgallery](http://holy-cross.edu/cantorartgallery), or call 508-793-3356.

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