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Local Artist, Craig Prophet, Displays Work at St. James Mercy Hospital

September 2, 2014...Hornell, NY... Local artist, Craig Prophet of Alfred, New York, has loaned a collection of paintings to St. James Mercy Hospital for display in the lobby, emergency room hallway, and cafeteria.

Prophet's work can be found in numerous collections in the Atlanta, Georgia area, and his work has been commissioned for several private collections. He also has served as an art director and graphic designer for local and national customers, and has taught art at Alfred University and locally.

Prophet renders traditional subjects in an abstract style, portrayed so that they seem "real" to the viewer.

"Creating art is about the joy of living," he said. "When I feel stuck in a trend or an expectation for my work, that's when I choose to be intuitive, conceptual and abstract. This experimentation keeps me fresh and feeling alive."

Prophet's interest in art started early in his childhood in New England. "My aunt taught me how to sit at the table and draw at a very young age, and it never left me...I love it," he said. He went on to attain his Bachelor of Arts from Alfred University and a Masters of Fine Arts from Boston University.

The paintings are for sale, and the artist has offered to donate a portion of the proceeds to the St. James Mercy Foundation.

"We are delighted to share these striking original paintings with our patients and visitors at the hospital, and are grateful for Mr. Prophet's generosity in working with us," said Sylvia Bryant, VP Mission Integration and Community Outreach.

Prophet's work will be on display through the fall.

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Paintings of Alfred artist Craig Prophet are now on display and on sale at St. James Mercy Hospital.