



Tales To Be Told from an Urban Plein Air Painter

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Ever wonder how the life of a plein air painter differs from country to city? On Saturday, December 16, 2017, painter Valeri Larko will describe her encounters painting on location in the Bronx, Brooklyn and New Jersey in conjunction with her solo show “End Game” at Lyons Wier Gallery in Chelsea.

“Valeri Larko: End Game” features new landscapes painted on location at an abandoned golf center in the North Bronx. Larko began painting in earnest at the now defunct Bronx Golf Center in 2016 after squeezing through a fence and a gate and discovered a compelling world that couples the past with the present, set in a sprawling 12-acre site.

Valeri Larko begins her Talk at 2:30 p.m. The Artist Talk coincides with a Closing Reception that takes place from 2 to 4 p.m. at [Lyons Wier Gallery](#) for Larko’s solo show.



Valeri Larko at the abandoned Bronx Golf Center 2017. Photo courtesy of the artist.

The exhibition features paintings made on location at the former Bronx Golf Center which is slated for demolition and redevelopment. Larko has painted on location in New York City and New Jersey for decades. Last year, a retrospective of her art was held at the Bronx Museum. Her work is held in collections held by the Jersey City Museum, Montclair Museum, New Jersey State Museum and others. She is represented by Lyons Wier Gallery in New York, which specializes in conceptual realism. [Valeri Larko](#) is based in Westchester in New York. A story on her art publishes later this week at [Hamptons Art Hub](#).



“Walkway, Bronx Golf Center” by Valeri Larko, 2016. Oil on linen, 22 x 34 inches. Courtesy of the artist.



“Autumn, Bronx Golf Center” by Valeri Larko, 2016. Oil on panel, 12 x 16 inches.
Courtesy of the artist.

BASIC FACTS: “Valeri Larko: End Game” has a Closing Reception from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, December 16, 2017 at Lyons Wier Gallery. An Artist Talk by Valeri Larko takes place at 2:30 p.m. The gallery is located at 542 West 24th Street, New York, NY 10011. www.lyonswiergallery.com.

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