

SHERRY FRUMKIN GALLERY

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EXHIBITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Robin Kandel

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June 26 – July 31, 2010

Reception for the artist: Saturday, June 26th from 6- 8 pm



Sherry Frumkin Gallery is pleased to announce a solo exhibition by Robin Kandel. The exhibition opens with a reception for the artist on Saturday, June 26th from 6 to 8 pm and continues through July 31, 2010. Gallery hours are Wed – Sat from noon to 6 pm.

Is it bigger or smaller, too far or too close, greater or less than? In an effort to determine where we fit, we continually observe, assess, compare, measure.

The ideas for this exhibition have been percolating in Robin Kandel's imagination for a long time. In 1994 a friend had given her a snapshot which she didn't remember having been taken of her. It took several times looking at the image before she realized it was not a picture of her at all, but of someone who looked just like her. Same profile, same hair, same glasses, same stance with arms bent at the elbow, hands clasped at chest height, fingers interlaced.

For a long time she had also been intrigued by a tiny photo of a posed couple hanging in her parents' home that she initially took as conjoined twins. They were, in fact, her great grandmother after whom she was named, and her grandmother's boyfriend. Another photo of her namesake taken perhaps thirty years later at approximately the age of the artist now, convinced Kandel there was absolutely no family resemblance. The sense that she could look so unlike her namesake yet nearly identical to a stranger set her on a path of measuring and assessing herself as a physical object.

The show consists of 3 videos, drawings, composite photos and a number of measuring tools. This is Robin Kandel's second solo with the gallery.