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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Artist Graziella Weber-Grassi Exhibits at Vintage Inspired In July & August**

Burlington, VT: (June 26, 2014) Vintage Inspired Lifestyle Marketplace on Flynn Avenue in Burlington is pleased to announce an exhibition of mixed media/collage entitled *Who's Past?*, from Vermont artist Graziella Weber-Grassi, July 7th – August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014. There will be an opening reception Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, from 5:00 to 8:00pm. Vintage Inspired, A vibrant marketplace for antique dealers, artists and craftspeople, is located at 180 Flynn Avenue, and is open Monday through Saturday from 10am to 5pm and Sunday from 12pm to 4pm.

In an artist statement regarding work featured in the upcoming exhibition *Who's Past?*, Graziella explains, "The plentiful encounters with hundreds of family portraits during my many visits of flea markets and garage sales always left me in an unsettled, skeptical and often sad emotional state. My mind always created visual imaginations of the anonymous and always mysterious depictions of all these individuals whose monotonous, impassive and dull expressions just did not do justice to their colorful but nameless lives. These unknown personalities and their obscure past deserved my humble attempt of bringing new life to them as the past, present and future are only separated by a split second."

Graziella Weber-Grassi was born in the Italian speaking part of Switzerland to a Swiss-Italian father and Swiss-German mother. Growing up in a true bi-lingual home was the beginning of her appreciating the unconventional yet rewarding upbringing and readiness for extensive world travels. After completion of her Swiss education and certification in the fashion industry, Grassi ventured to Montreal, Canada. Working in a French/English environment for two years ended when she was married to her husband whom she met on a flight from Switzerland to Canada. Travel throughout South America with her husband was where she started her artistic life. Weaving was Graziella's original passion for 2 decades which slowly evolved to a more rapid expression of her ideas, namely painting.

After having spent 30 years in the Metropolitan area of New York, Graziella settled in Vermont, her home now for the last 10 years.

Graziella has had solo and group exhibitions of her work for the last two decades in Vermont and New York. Her work is part of numerous private collections. More information at about Graziella can be found at <http://graziellawebergrassi.sqsp.com/>

**Vintage Inspired Lifestyle Marketplace** on Flynn Avenue in Burlington, VT is a funky & accessible source of vintage goods for inspired lifestyles. It is a delight for shoppers wanting to combine a love for antiques, curious goods and art. Owner, Mary Heinrich Aloï has a truly inspired eye and her shop is a destination for in-the-know pickers, collectors, and art lovers. For more information and directions to the Marketplace, please visit [www.vintageinspired.net](http://www.vintageinspired.net)

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