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*Bird Watchers, 2023, Linden, Birch, Acrylic, 30" x 32" x 3"*

**Larry Pollans: *Jigsaw***

December 14, 2023 – January 28, 2024

**Opening Reception**

Saturday, December 16, 2023, 2 – 5pm

Brief Artist Talk at 3pm

**First Friday Reception**

January 5, 2024, 5 – 8:30pm

**Closing Reception**

Saturday, January 27, 2024, 2 – 5pm

Brief Artist Talk at 3pm

**Artist Meet & Greets**

January 7, 14 & 21, 11am – 5pm

**Gallery Hours**

Wednesday – Sunday, 11am – 5pm

Boston Sculptors Gallery presents Larry Pollans' solo exhibition *Jigsaw*, featuring a new series of sculpture crafted in wood. The jigsaw—both the puzzle and the tool—act as muse and informant as Pollans deftly balances negative and positive space to reveal figures, flora, and fauna in these engaging tableaux.

Visual snippets—a cartwheeling figure, a mangrove thicket, a wrought iron gate, the spine of a leaf—provide starting points for this new work. Beginning by drawing on bare wood, Pollans then cuts away, as well as adds pieces, stitching together open-ended narratives. Finally, the artist adds color, most often subtle tertiary tones. The unexpected result is exuberant movement and rhythm contained in a compact space.

To accomplish this balance, the artist takes on different roles. Pollans explains, “Some days I’m the wizard interpreting tea leaves, others a revisionist historian reframing the past. Frequently, I’m a carpenter. Or a choreographer determining pace, movement, and figural relationships. Sometimes I’m an undertaker acknowledging dead ends. Or the excavator removing detritus to make way for a new foundation. At times, I am the Rabbi pointing out moral value. These works show that I have been both the celebrant and the mourner.”

Larry Pollans: *Jigsaw* runs concurrently with Andy Moerlein: *Ten Thousand Labors*.

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