## A NEW DIRECTION

I am delighted to announce the beginning of a dynamic new arts initiative, the Foundation for Spirituality and the Arts, a non-profit organization dedicated to nurturing connections between contemporary art and faith. As most of you know, exhibitions at Tyler Rollins Fine Art have often highlighted the links between spirituality, nature, cultural traditions, and varied forms of artistic expression, and many had powerful religious themes, particularly relating to Christianity, Islam, and Buddhism. After much consideration of the importance of these issues in today's world, and of the need for greater institutional support in this area, I decided earlier this year to establish the foundation, with offices located in New York City and Charleston, South Carolina. Our approach will be unique and groundbreaking within the context of the contemporary art world.

I am pleased to be joined by Leeza Ahmady, longtime director of the Asia Contemporary Art Forum and New York City's Asia Contemporary Art Week, as director of programming. She, our staff, and I look forward to an exciting roster of artist residencies, events, and exhibitions to take place in New York City and Charleston, as well as online. Please refer to our web page, <a href="www.fsa.art">www.fsa.art</a>, for an introduction to the foundation's mission, goals, and plans. And stay tuned for the launch of our website early next year. We also invite you to follow us on <a href="Instagram">Instagram</a> and other social media.

Although Tyler Rollins Fine Art will no longer operate a public gallery space, it will continue to function as an art advisory, pursuing collaborations with museums, foundations, and commercial galleries to exhibit works by the outstanding artists we have represented. I am gratified by all we achieved at the gallery and grateful to the artists and colleagues who made our innovative program such a success over the past thirteen years. I am even more excited and inspired by what the future holds – and I encourage you all to continue to follow my programming in the years to come.

Sincerely, Tyler Rollins



