**Spotlight: Featured Artists at the Ohio Governor’s Residence** is a program created by Ohio’s First Lady Karen W. Kasich that celebrates Ohio artists by showcasing a sampling of their artworks in the Residence foyer. The program enhances the ongoing partnership between the Ohio Governor’s Residence and Heritage Garden and the Ohio Arts Council (OAC). Since 1985 the OAC has assisted in placing artwork by Ohio artists and from Ohio cultural institutions in the Governor’s Residence and throughout the Vern Riffe Center for Government and the Arts. The “Spotlight” program offers quarterly exhibitions at the Governor’s Residence highlighted by opening receptions. Spotlight Artists are selected by First Lady Kasich with assistance from the OAC. All Ohio artists are eligible to submit their work for consideration. To be eligible for the program the artist cannot be a student enrolled in a degree-granting program and must be a resident of the State of Ohio. For details contact OAC Individual Artist Program Director Ken Emerick ken.emerick@oac.ohio.gov

**About the Ohio Governor’s Residence and Heritage Garden:** The Jacobean Revival style home was originally built for the family of industrialist Malcom Jeffrey in 1925, and has served as the official Ohio Governor’s Residence for nearly 60 years. Examples of Ohio art, industry, and craftsmanship are showcased throughout the house while outside, the surrounding Heritage Garden reflects the state’s diverse native botanicals and landscapes. Free tours of the Ohio Governor’s Residence and Heritage Garden can be scheduled by calling 614-644-7644 or online at residence@governor.ohio.gov

**About the Ohio Arts Council:** The Ohio Arts Council is a state agency that funds and supports quality arts experiences to strengthen Ohio communities culturally, educationally, and economically. For more information visit: oac.ohio.gov

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**Untitled (Are You Seated Comfortably?)**
2014, Oil on Canvas, 50” x 40” x 1.5”

June – September 2016
Louise Captein, a native of the Netherlands, earned her degree in painting and drawing from the Gerrit Rietveld Academie School of Art and Design (Amsterdam) in 1991. She is currently pursuing a master’s degree at the School of Art Institute of Chicago. Captein is an associate professor of painting and drawing at Otterbein University (Westerville). She also taught at Columbus College of Art and Design, Columbus State Community College, and The Ohio State University. Captein primarily works in oil on canvas and paper collages; today, she is exploring screen-printing on paper and textiles. Captein’s work has been shown throughout Ohio and has been included in regional and national exhibitions. Her bold, colorful paintings and collage works have won various awards and many honorable mentions. Her work will be on display in 2017 at the Leslie H. and Ethyl Rose Miller Gallery at Otterbein University; Richard M. Ross Art Museum at Ohio Wesleyan University, and at Keny Galleries in Columbus. For more information, please visit kenygalleries.com.