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Gil Jawetz's *Human(e) Beings* Art Show At The Yellow Dog Tavern

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TIME: 6-8 pm
LOCATION: The Yellow Dog Tavern
700 South Potomac St
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Baltimore, MD – May 5, 2008 – The Yellow Dog Tavern's first featured artist, Gil Jawetz, is returning with a collection of new works to help celebrate the popular spot's one-year anniversary. After last year's successful *Big Dogs* show, the Baltimore painter decided to continue exploring his love of figurative painting, this time delving into the relationship between people and animals. The result is *Human(e) Beings*, paintings that convey a range of moods and emotions by capturing fleeting, private moments and interactions.

"Being an animal lover, I wanted to depict as broad a range of experiences as I could squeeze into one show," said Jawetz. "I want to evoke an emotional response in the viewer. Some of the paintings are funny, some are melancholy, and some are ambiguous. Many of the paintings are very personal."

Building on the work from last year's show, Jawetz decided to add more elements and a broader range of subjects. "I used my love of Impressionist art and of contemporary painters like Lucian Freud and Malcolm Liepke to try out new things with poses, colors and atmosphere," he said.

Jawetz's goal with *Human(e) Beings* is not only to depict animals, but to help them as well. "Just as I did with *Big Dogs* last year," Jawetz explained, "I'll be donating a percentage of all my sales from the show to Baltimore animal rescue group Recycled Love. They're one of the great groups in town doing the hard work of rescuing, fostering, and often rehabilitating unwanted or abandoned pets and finding them new, loving homes."

The work from the *Human(e) Beings* show, as well as *Big Dogs* and other recent shows, will be featured in a paperback book that will be available online as well as at the Harbor East Fine Art and Music Festival on June 21, and at the July 15 Yellow Dog Tavern reception.

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