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show anywhere," said Kozlow, who has a studio in Royal Oak. "We're really honored that we're going to be presenting this," gallery owner Madeline Posner said. "It's just another dimension of Richard's brilliance."

"They're beautiful, sensual, full-figured, electrifying, energetic... They make you feel so happy."

The more than 12 paintings are a continuation of Kozlow's "Zafitig (well-rounded) Ladies," his popular 1982 display. The more recent ladies are slightly more asexual than their predecessors ("they have waistlines"). Unlike the earlier nude ladies, some are in swimsuits.

"There are a few robust ones who aren't too shy, but most are covered," Kozlow said. "The bathing suits add another design quality."

Full of joy
These enchanting figures have a variety of personalities. They have a joyous air, whether they are looking for shells, sunning at

the beach, dancing or just lying back and smiling at the viewer. Their joy isn't just of themselves but of the human form.

"I enjoy working on them. There's such a happiness about them. You can't help but smile."

"I like her attitude," the artist said, standing before one painting. "... She seems very happy with herself."

One "lingerie" has just thrown her clothes in the air. The garments are seen in fragments that form an energetic pattern behind her, echoing her raised arms. One "wicked" lady sits on a beach, smiling over her shoulder at the viewer. One lady is patterned after the reclining nude "Odalisque," but her face has the appearance of a mask.

The joy and energy of the works are also conveyed in their vibrant, almost electric colors. Blues, reds, greens, oranges are as celebratory as confetti and as strong as jewels.

Fine form
Also different this year are

forms on black backgrounds, with different parts of the bodies in different colors: torso, heads, legs and arms each a different solid hue without features.

One of these, called "Back Flip," is a figure stretching. "You can do anything with it," Kozlow said, turning the canvas from vertical to horizontal.

Some figures resemble landscapes. One lady on her side, with expansive thigh and powerful arm, suggests a mountain range. Her styles swoop and rise like waves. A wisp of a lady's hair and the tissue-like bit of cloud in the otherwise all-blue sky around her match.

The paintings are large in size. To crowd these full figures in a small canvas would be caricature rather than character. The smallest work is 3 by 5 feet. The largest, a high-kicking chorus line called "Kozlow's Follies," is 4 by 12 feet.

Despite their relaxed air, the "Kozlow's Ladies" paintings are more disciplined than the way Kozlow usually paints.

"I enjoyed doing it. Such a change of pace, totally different."

Sculpture

In this show Kozlow is presenting sculpture for the first time. He began working in clay last winter while in Mexico.

"I like the tactile quality, the feel of it. The only thing with sculpture, the immediacy (of painting) isn't there."

"It's fun. I'm going to do more." All of the 10 bronze works, eight to 10 inches tall, are derived from the female form. Their faces are without features, and they are dressed in what looks like cloaks that cover their entire body. As with the painted figures, curves are important.

From a joke

Kozlow's full-figured ladies came about from a joke. With the saying "It isn't over 'til the fat lady sings" in mind, a couple was collecting images of large women for encouragement while working out a business venture. They asked Kozlow to do a painting of such an image for them.

Kozlow painted a big work of a large, naked woman, her hands clasped at her chest as if she were singing. (The couple answered Kozlow's invitation to the unveiling by having someone sing, opera style, over the phone to the artist.)

The delighted response to the piece brought about the "Zafitig Ladies" exhibit.

"A lot of the buyers were beautiful women. Go figure that out."

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their suffering with their sins. The belief that disease is an outward sign of sin continues today with those who consider AIDS to be God's punishment for certain lifestyles or actions.

The joining of past centuries with the present has been established.

A strong statement has been made. Have people really changed from earlier times in the face of deadly disease? Sickness can come to anyone. No one is automatically deprived of a peaceful afterlife.

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