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PEOPLE

New Paintings by Zsófia Ötvös
CSI Project Space & Gallery, Chicago
February 2026

2026, February CHICAGO, III. — *People* is a solo exhibition by Zsófia Ötvös presenting new paintings of figures suspended on the verge of change. The exhibition is on view throughout February 2026 at CSI ProjectSpace & Gallery, located at 1912 N. Damen Avenue in Chicago's Bucktown neighborhood.

The works focus on moments of pause—figures standing, waiting, or gathering themselves before a possible shift. Action is withheld in favor of restraint and internal tension, with emphasis placed on the surrounding empty space: a space that holds experience and lived time, where a noise-filled quiet resolve exists. Figures are often isolated against textured, pared-down surfaces, heightening their presence and underscoring the stillness at the core of the work. This exhibition marks Ötvös' fourth presentation at CSI Project Space & Gallery.

Working across fine art, theater, and film, Ötvös is also an Emmy-nominated makeup artist for the television series *The Bear* and serves as the resident makeup artist at Trap Door Theatre.

Guest Artist

Melissa Kolbusz of WIRED jewelry will present a selection of wearable works made from reclaimed and surplus materials.

OPENING RECEPTION: Saturday, February 7, 5–9 pm

CLOSING RECEPTION: Friday, February 27, 4–8 pm

Gallery Hours

Saturdays and Sundays, 4–8 pm

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