

*Lenten Departure, Jumping Off Point 1, and Jumping Off Point 2*, by Mary Cahill Farella

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Mary Cahill Farella, a painter based in Framingham, Massachusetts, was known for her landscape paintings of the cliffs and pastures of Ireland. Then she began exploring the colorations of eucalyptus bark. This led her to a more intense focus on abstraction and color marked by free-form brushstrokes—what she calls “dancing with the color in your hands.”