

CARMEN CICERO

COLLAGE

Carmen Cicero (Rankow, 108 East 78 Street): Working in a miniature format, Mr. Cicero has produced a series of exquisitely stated collage paintings that have the effect of compressed monumental images.

The collage materials are themselves irregular fragments of painted surfaces, rich in expressionist detail, yet they are combined into structures that have the precision and elegance of Person miniatures. This is splendid work.

Carmen Cicero (Rankow): This long-known New York artist showed a series of small collages, about six inches square, built of painted paper.

These tiny abstractions are exquisitely arranged and rich in color and detail.

The imagery, in each case, is a bold expressionist signal that charges the miniature format with a curious and highly satisfying tension.

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