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## EXHIBITION: "RUTH WEISBERG: NEW BEGINNINGS" at Jack Rutberg Fine Arts March 25 - May 31, 2006

Los Angeles, CA - Recent paintings and drawings by Los Angeles artist **Ruth Weisberg** will be the subject of an exhibition entitled "**New Beginnings**" at Jack Rutberg Fine Arts. The exhibition opens with a reception with the artist in attendance at 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 25.

The exhibition at the Rutberg Gallery extends from a major 29-foot Weisberg mural, titled "New Beginnings," commissioned by UJA Federation of New York, now installed at the entrance to its headquarters at 130 East 59<sup>th</sup> Street in New York City.

In this new series of large and small scale paintings and drawings, Ruth Weisberg expands upon the subject of this commissioned painted mural - themes of diaspora, hope, community, and *new beginnings*. Weisberg explores personal and collective history through layered images which express both time and memory.

Ruth Weisberg's work is in the permanent collections of major museums internationally, including the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Whitney Museum, the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., the National Museum of American Art, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, the Skirball Museum, Instituto Nazionale per la Grafica, Rome, Italy, and the Biblioteca Nationale of France, Paris.

Weisberg has been the recipient of numerous awards and honors internationally. She has the distinction of being the first contemporary painter to ever be exhibited through a commissioned body of work by the historic Huntington Library Art Collection in San Marino, CA. A past President of the College Art Association, Ruth Weisberg is currently the Dean of the Roski School of Fine Arts at the University of Southern California.

**Ruth Weisberg: New Beginnings** extends through April at Jack Rutberg Fine Arts located at 357 N. La Brea Avenue, Los Angeles, California, 90036. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For further information phone (323) 938-5222.

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