

THE ART GALLERY

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UNH FACULTY ARTISTS FEATURED AT THE ART GALLERY

DURHAM, N.H. - Twelve faculty artists at the University of New Hampshire will exhibit their recent works in *The Artists Revealed: 2005 Studio Art Program Exhibition* at The Art Gallery beginning Sept. 7 and running through Oct. 23.

A preview reception, open to the public, will be held from 5 to 7 p.m., on Tuesday, Sept. 6.

Each year, The Art Gallery presents recent work by the artists who teach and work in the UNH Department of Art and Art History. These full-time professors are dedicated to teaching students how to express themselves through the language of the visual arts, focusing on the elements of line, shape, color, and space. At the same time, they are actively creating their own art in their studios in Portsmouth, Rollinsford, and Boston. Each has a distinguished record of exhibitions in galleries and museums. *The Artists Revealed: 2005 Studio Art Program Exhibition* is marked by the breadth and range of the department's studio art program, as it features paintings, ceramics, drawing, sculpture, printmaking, furniture design, and photography.

Works in the exhibition include: paintings by Niels Burger, Benjamin S. Cariens, Brian Chu, Grant Drumheller, Craig Hood, Jennifer Moses, and Langdon Quin; prints by Scott Schnepf; sculptural works by Maryse Searls McConnell and Michael McConnell; wood furniture and sculpture by Lynn Szymanski; and photographs by Andrew M. K. Warren.

Five of the twelve artists have returned from sabbatical leave or are new to the UNH faculty; their work will be featured more prominently in the exhibition. Painters Jennifer Moses and Langdon Quin and sculptor Michael McConnell have produced extended bodies of work during recent sabbatical leaves. The exhibition will introduce the work of two new instructors—the paintings of Niels Burger and the wood furniture and sculpture of Lynn Szymanski.

“Among the challenges faced by these artists is the need to balance the demands of full-time teaching here at the University with their careers as professional artists,” states Vicki C. Wright, director of The Art Gallery. “Teaching extended studio art classes and guiding the development of students in our B.A., B.F.A., and M.F.A. programs leaves precious little time to create work in their own studios, work with gallery dealers and collectors, and prepare for exhibitions. This exhibition is a wonderful way to introduce students and the community to the professional work being created by these educators.”

The Artists Revealed is part of a statewide series of exhibitions, *New Hampshire: The State of Art*, which showcases Granite State art and artists at 26 museums and galleries from September through December 2005. Exhibitions range from important masterworks and historic decorative artifacts to the latest works of art in all media. The series is presented by the NH Visual Arts Coalition in partnership with the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts and generously sponsored by Ocean National Bank, Public Service of New Hampshire, and U.S. Trust Company, NA.

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ArtBreak Series: Wednesdays, noon - 1 p.m.

All programs are held in The Art Gallery unless otherwise noted.

- Sept. 7 **Gallery Talk** by exhibiting faculty artists Niels Burger, Benjamin S. Cariens, Brian Chu, & Grant Drumheller.
- Sept. 14 **Concert** by Quinto, performing a non-liturgical version of the *Mass for Five Voices* by William Byrd. Led by William Kempster, Dir. of Choral Activities, UNH.
- Sept. 21 **Reading/Discussion** on the novel, *Evening Ferry*, by NH author Katherine Towler.
- Sept. 28 **Gallery Talk** by exhibiting faculty artists Craig Hood, Jennifer Moses, Langdon Quin, & Scott Schnepf.
- Oct. 5 **Reading/Discussion** on her book, *The Adventure of Two Lifetimes*, by NH author Peggy Newland. Room A219
- Oct. 12 **Gallery Talk** by exhibiting faculty artists Lynn Szymanski, Andrew M.K. Warren, Maryse Searls McConnell, & Michael McConnell.
- Oct. 19 **Slide Lecture/Discussion** by ceramic artist Jane Kaufmann. Room A219

The Art Gallery is located in the Paul Creative Arts Center, 30 College Road, on the Durham campus of the University of New Hampshire. Admission is free. Hours are Monday through Wednesday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; and Saturday and Sunday, 1-5 p.m. The Art Gallery is closed Fridays, university holidays, and during exhibition changes.

School and other groups are welcome at The Art Gallery. Tours are offered free of charge with advance reservation and can be scheduled by calling the Outreach Program at 862-3713.

News Editors: Color images available:



Andrew M.K. Warren, *Mirage, Boston, MA*, 2004, c-print, 16" x 20"
http://www.unh.edu/news/img/artgallery/warren_andrew.jpg



Craig Hood, *Wishing Well*, 2005, oil on linen, 30" x 44"
http://www.unh.edu/news/img/artgallery/hood_craig.jpg

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Jennifer Moses, *Giotto's Hair*, 2004, oil on panel, 11" x 11"
http://www.unh.edu/news/img/artgallery/moses_jennifer.jpg



Michael McConnell, *Passages #4*, 2003-2005, mahogany,
8 ½" x 12" x 4"
http://www.unh.edu/news/img/artgallery/mcconnell_michael.jpg

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