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## **El Camino College to Present Student Art Show 2010**

The El Camino College Art Gallery will present its annual showcase of student artwork starting May 18. All of the works in this exhibition were selected by instructors in the department as some of the best examples of student work produced at the college.

The exhibit runs May 17 through June 4. A reception and Art Department open house is set from 6 to 9 p.m. May 21. (The gallery is closed for the Memorial Day holiday, May 24.)

The Student Show includes a variety of works created in a wide range of media. The exhibit provides a unique glimpse into the educational and aesthetic philosophy advocated by the El Camino College Art Department and illustrates a diversity characteristic of the contemporary art world.

The majority of the works in the gallery are grounded in an academic approach to art study and training. Represented in the exhibition are traditional two-dimensional painting media (oil on canvas, acrylic on canvas, watercolor on paper) as well as drawing media on paper (graphite, charcoal, pastel and Conte). Printmaking techniques include lithograph, etching and silk-screen printing, in addition to digital printing processes.

The exhibition also includes excellent examples of familiar photographic processes (black and white silver prints and color printing). The digital media program produces video animation as well as photo-based digitally printed graphic designs and illustrative pieces.

Additionally, the show includes a cross section of three dimensional techniques taught in the art department – jewelry construction; plaster, clay, latex and bronze cast sculpture; wheel thrown and slab-constructed clay vessels; and hand-built objects as well as a variety of imaginative mixed media constructions and small-scale installation pieces.

An energy and vitality unique to emerging artists characterizes the annual Student Show.

Gallery hours are from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fridays. The exhibit is free and open to the public. The gallery is closed for the Memorial Day holiday, May 24. For more information, call 310-660-3010.

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