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El Camino College Art Gallery to Present
FACULTY SHOW 2011: Works by El Camino College Art Department Faculty

The El Camino College Art Gallery will present *FACULTY SHOW 2011: Works by El Camino College Art Department Faculty* from November 21 through December 15. This annual exhibit features works from the college's art instructors, showcasing an interesting mix of styles, media, and genre, while also highlighting the skills, talents, and interests of faculty members.

An opening reception is scheduled for 7-9 p.m. December 1, with a gallery walk-through with Joyce Dallal at 1 p.m. December 6. The El Camino College Art Gallery is located on campus, 16007 Crenshaw Boulevard, near Torrance.

The exhibit provides a look at the aesthetic and educational philosophies advocated by the El Camino College Art Department and demonstrates an array of concepts and techniques currently characteristic of the art world.

The majority of works in the gallery are grounded in an academic approach to art study and training. Represented in the exhibition are oil, watercolor or acrylic paintings on canvas, paper, or panel. The show includes abstractions by Craig Antrim, Camille Cornelius and Lawrence Klepper. Harrison Storms shows a large-scale figurative abstraction from his Johns Canyon Series. Randall Von Bloomberg presents mythologically based figurative works in oil and Tom Kidd shows dreamlike figurative work in oil on canvas while Lee Kim shows intense local landscapes in oil. Walter Cox presents a life study in charcoal on paper.

Besides the familiar technique of black and white photographic printing represented in a beautiful image by Susan Einstein, the exhibition includes other methods of photographic printing such as Polaroid with mixed media by Andrea Micallef, digital photography by Victoria Sanchez, and subtly toned color photography by Joy Curtis Urlik.

The exhibition also includes a cross-section of 3-dimensional techniques taught in the Art Department –elegant jewelry fabrications of Irene Mori, and an enormous baby (10' tall) made out of steel mesh trashcans, filled with discarded stuffed toys by Joyce Dallal. Ceramics are richly represented by new full time faculty member, Vincent Palacios and part time instructor, Yumi Kiyose, while sculptor, Russell McMillin presents powerful female torsos armored in lingerie and Pam Huth exhibits a series of lustrous ceramic hearts. Also in the area of

3-D, Michael Lewis Miller presents an architectural mixed media installation, Jocelyn Foye presents Sumo, a plastic artifact from a staged Sumo wrestling event, Gretchen Potts exhibits a small mixed media self-portrait and Susanna Meiers shows mixed media constructions.

The digital area is represented by Angela Wilcox with a mock museum installation with video components. The range of works displayed demonstrates not only the diverse possibilities of the world of art, but the diversity of the Art Department Faculty at El Camino College.

The El Camino College Art Gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays and from noon to 8 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays. For more information, call Susanna Meiers at 310-660-3010. Admission to the El Camino College Art Gallery and gallery events is free. Oncampus parking is \$2.