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PRESS RELEASE

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NEW ART EXHIBITS OPENING AT UVAA

Beginning Friday, November 4th the Umpqua Valley Arts Center will feature six new exhibits, with a reception open to the public from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

The Biennial exhibit of the Pastel Society of Oregon will be featured in the Hallie Brown Ford Gallery. The juried show will exhibit works chosen by Richard McKinley whose is a member of the Pastel Society of America's Hall of Fame located in New York City. His work is represented in several national galleries and is in the permanent collection of the Butler Institute of American Art Museum.

Works by participants in UVAA's Teen Studio will be on display in the Student Gallery. The title for the show is Making a Mark, with works demonstrating a variety of printmaking techniques including mono prints, silk screen prints, relief prints, and ink blotch monsters. Gallery II will be the venue for the work of Portland-based Artist Gabriel Fernandez. Fernandez paints environments which capture the essence of places: empty rooms with chairs, suburban landscapes, and the occasional still life. A graduate of the Pacific Northwest College of Art, Fernandez has had shows throughout the Pacific Coast.

Roseburg's own Lora Block, herself an accomplished pastel artist, will be featured in UVAA's Entryway space. Local audiences are familiar with Block's well-earned status as a teacher and master artist.

A themed show curated by Jon Leach will be shown in the Corridor Gallery, Artists submitted work in response to a theme selected by UVAA members-- Earth/Wind/Fire. Submissions ranged across all media. Leach is well known locally for his abstract paintings. A graduate of the University of Washington, Jon also has an expansive background in literature, art history and film. Jon's work can be seen at galleries in Portland and New York.



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In the Red Gallery, UVAA's Annual Holiday Pop Up Shop will once again offer high-quality, one-of-a-kind work from outstanding local & regional artists. These handmade gifts are beautifully crafted and reasonably priced. The offerings include handmade and hand dyed scarves, jewelry, children's toys, locally made soaps, ceramic dishes, bowls and coffee mugs, greeting cards, paintings, etc. The Holiday Pop Up Shop operates at the regular open hours through December 23rd.

The Umpqua Valley Arts Center is located at 1624 W. Harvard Ave. in Roseburg; entry is accessed through the rear of the building in Fir Grove Park. Open hours are Tuesday through Friday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., and Saturdays from 10:00-2:00. Further information can be found at www.uvarts.com or by calling 541 672 2532.