

Nature and creation intersect in “Natural Interactions” at the Art Gallery at Eissey Campus, Oct. 18 – Nov. 23



(Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. – Oct 4, 2011) The intersection of nature, creation and human influence on both is explored by three Palm Beach State College artists in the exhibit “Natural Interactions,” debuting Oct. 18 at The Art Gallery at Eissey Campus.

Professor Nazaré Feliciano, an 11-year-instructor at Palm Beach State, teaches ceramics and art appreciation at the Palm Beach Gardens campus. Her ceramic pieces represent atmospheric interactions in nature. “Clouds and the formation of clouds, water, heat, and air and the interactions between these elements are present in my art work,” she says. “Clay is porous at the fired stage, enabling trapped smoke to penetrate its body. The porcelain clouds with cascading rain are filled with flowers; this my way of celebrating the bounty of spring.”

“My body of work explores the similarities between the social interactions among crows and that of humans, says Karla Walter, art gallery specialist, of her mixed-media ceramics of crows. “As an artist, it is important to recognize a message and seize that

moment. Crows are messengers, omens for change. Several personal encounters with crows have compelled me to express my personal creativity through this messenger.”

Christina Major is an adjunct instructor who teaches drawing at the Palm Beach Gardens campus. Her oil paintings, on canvas and wood, expand on the traditional portrait painting. Major catalogues her memories and thoughts along with the thoughts of the subject by painting under, into and over the subject in her own handwriting. “I am interested in creating art which allows the viewer the ability to connect to it from their own grounding, to participate with it rather than to merely observe it,” says Major.

“Natural Interactions” will exhibit from Oct. 18 through Nov. 23, with the artist’s reception on Tuesday, Oct. 18 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. There will be approximately 20 pieces on display, and all work is available for sale, with prices ranging from \$250 to \$6,000.

The Art Gallery at Eissey Campus is located in the BB building, 3160 PGA Blvd. Gallery hours are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Tuesday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. For more information, contact Karla Walter at 561-207-5015 or visit <http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/ArtGalleryPBG.xml>.

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Editor’s note: Photo caption, from left: Nazaré Feliciano, “April Showers, Blue Drama,” ceramic; Karla Walter, “Crow” mixed media ceramic; Christina Major, “Ying.” High resolution artwork available on request, please contact CRM specialist below.

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