

## Palm Beach State College presents the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Drawing, Painting and Printmaking Competition at the Jan and Gary Dario Gallery

(Lake Worth, Fla. – March 30, 2010) Forty diverse works from artists across the country will be on display at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Drawing, Painting and Printmaking Competition at the Jan and Gary Dario Gallery April 8 – June 17 at Palm Beach State College in Lake Worth.

An open theme competition, the strength of this year's exhibit lies in the diverse talents of the artists whose works were selected from more than 400 applicants. The selected artists hail from 12 different states – including local artists Dennis Auffy, Sarah Davis, Mark Forman, Lori Julian, Brennan King, Ralph Papa, Maria Saraceni, and Dodi Sikevitz.



“This is inspiring and educational for our art students as well as viewers, as they are likely to find a piece that they enjoy,” said Kristin Miller Hopkins, gallery manager. “The exhibit shows everything from landscapes and portraits to abstract works with rich colors and shapes.”

This year's juror was Marisa Pascucci, curator of American Art at the Norton Museum of Art in West Palm Beach. The opening reception and awards announcement is Thursday, April 8 from 5 to 7 p.m. The reception and exhibit are free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Mon. – Fri. 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Editor's Note:** Caption for artwork: “Glasses on Red 10” Oil on copper by Benjamin Shamback

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