



## EVENT RELEASE

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**“Image Culture”**  
**School of Arts and Design Drawing and Painting Showcase,**  
**Santa Fe Community College**  
**February 3 through March 10, 2011**

Santa Fe Community College’s Visual Arts Gallery presents *Image Culture*, a showcase exhibition of painting and drawing by faculty and students of the School of Arts & Design. The show will feature work by thirteen faculty artists and dozens of students, on display in gallery and exhibition areas throughout the School of Arts & Design. A public opening reception for the exhibition takes place from 5 to 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 3. The show runs through March 10.

Drawing and painting faculty members include Bryony Bensly, Victoria Carlson, Carlos Carulo, Julia Catron, Xuan Chen, Eric Garduño, Karl Hluska, Noël Hudson, Ellen Koment, Laura Rosenfeld, Edgar Sorrells-Adewale, Mark Spencer, and Felix Voltsinger. Faculty members from the School of Arts & Design are practicing artists from across the United States, as well as Chile, China, Russia and Thailand. With artwork featured both locally and internationally, these faculty members have received numerous prestigious awards and have taught in notable arts institutions nationwide and abroad.

The exhibition also presents the following special events:

- ∞ SFCC painting and drawing faculty present a gallery talk on their work from 11:30 to 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 8 in the Visual Arts Gallery, Room 701;
- ∞ SFCC painting and drawing students present and participate in a roundtable discussion about their work from 1:30 to 3 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 17, in Room 716.

The Visual Arts Gallery is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. SFCC is located at 6401 Richards Ave., approximately 2.5 miles south of Rodeo Road. For more information, contact the gallery director at (505) 428-1501.

With four dedicated north-light studios, the college's Drawing and Painting Program emphasizes foundational, conceptual and expressive approaches as a means of visual communication. Diverse coursework is offered, including public art projects, hand-drawn animation, landscape painting, figure painting, portraiture, animal life drawing, large scale abstraction, watercolor, egg tempera, casein and encaustic. Students are encouraged to gain an understanding of traditional and contemporary approaches to painting and drawing, and how it compliments other art disciplines, educational interests and social concerns. Advanced students have access to private studios on campus. The program seeks to challenge and inspire through collaboration and exploration, resulting in a thriving campus "image culture."

A Painting and Drawing concentration is offered within the Associate of Arts degree in Fine Arts. Courses are designed for transfer to university or college studio art programs. The program of study includes an internship component and professional development courses to build career skills.

### **About Santa Fe Community College**

For more than 28 years, Santa Fe Community College has served as the gateway to success for individuals and our community. The College provides affordable, high-quality educational programs that serve the social, cultural, technological and economic needs of Santa Fe's diverse community. More than 15,000 students are served each year in its credit, noncredit and adult basic education programs.

Offering more than 72 degrees and certificate programs, SFCC caters to the academic, career and personal-enrichment needs of local residents, businesses, government and public service organizations. More than 274 full-time and 587 part-time employees are employed by the college. For further information, visit [www.sfcc.edu](http://www.sfcc.edu) or call (505) 428-1000.

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