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Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, NC, Features Works by High School Students

Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, NC, is presenting an exhibit of portraits by students, based on an exhibit at the Bechtler Museum of Modern Art, on view in the Ross Gallery I, through Aug. 5, 2013.

As part of an educational outreach program with the Bechtler Museum of Modern Art, Central Piedmont Community College (CPCC), and Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools (CMS) will display a series of self-portraits created by Mallard Creek High School students that were inspired by a special exhibition at the museum – *Giacometti: Memory and Presence*.

The Bechtler exhibition showcased Giacometti's life and career, portraying him as one of the most recognized 20th century modernists. The class of 17 Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools (CMS) students visited the museum in January to view the artist's works in person. During the visit, students were able to examine each Giacometti piece in detail, including the many techniques the artist used to create each work of art. Following the field trip, the high school students were able to return to their Advanced Visual Arts class and apply the same artistic methods to their own self-portraits.

The visual showcase will feature 17 acrylic on canvas self-portraits that range in size from 24" x 16" to 20" x 20".

Central Piedmont Community College is the largest community college in North Carolina, offering close to 300 degree and certification programs, customized corporate training, market-focused continuing education, and special interest classes. CPCC is academically, financially and geographically accessible to all citizens of Mecklenburg County. In 2002, the National Alliance of Business named CPCC the Community College of the Year for its response to the workforce and technology needs of local employers and job seekers through innovative educational and training strategies.

For further information check our NC Institutional Gallery listings, call Grace Cote at 704/330-2722 ext. 3183 or e-mail to (grace.cote@cpcc.edu).

Elder Gallery in Charlotte, NC, Features Second Spin-Off Exhibition from Carolina's Got Art! Competition

Elder Gallery in Charlotte, NC, will present *July Salon*, the second spin-off exhibit selected from works entered during the 2013 Carolina's Got Art! Competition. The exhibition will be on view from July 5 - 27, 2013, A reception will be held on July 5, from 5-8pm.





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Work by Rebecca Denmark

The exhibition features work by fiftyfive artists who entered the competition which awarded \$15,000 in cash and prizes to nine artists from North and South Carolina during the May exhibition. A total of 2800 entries were received and Lance Esplund, US art critic for *Bloomberg News*, chose 130 pieces to comprise the first of three exhibitions. Larry Elder, founder of Elder Gallery, selected the second and third exhibitions to showcase Work by James Karner

the extraordinary artwork being created by Carolina-based artists. Approximately 300 artworks have been selected for exhibition and offered for sale throughout the event.

For the first time this year two "People's Choice" cash awards will be given to the two artists receiving the most votes during the June and July exhibitions. "It has been interesting to see how seriously visitors have taken this award," says Elder. "They are spending a lot of time evaluating each piece and, in many cases, agonize over their selection."

Winners of the 2013 competition can be seen at (<u>www.carolinasgotart.com</u>).

For further information check our NC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 704/370-6337 or visit (www.elderart.com).

The deadline each month to submit articles, photos and ads is the 24th of the month prior to the next issue. This will be July 24th for the August 2013 issue and Aug. 24 for the September 2013 issue. After that, it's too late unless your exhibit runs into the next month.



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organizations involved in the Carolina community. Whether you call it clay, pottery, ceramics - if you don't see what should be here - just let us know about it so we can add it to the mix.

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