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EXHIBITION:  MSU Department of Art and Art History Studio Art Biennial Faculty Exhibition

DATE:  November 6- December 17, 2004

OPENING RECEPTION:  Friday, November 5, 7-9 p.m.


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E. LANSING, MICH. --- Kresge Art Museum and the Michigan State University Department of Art and Art History present the Studio Art Biennial Faculty Exhibition, November 6- December 17, 2004, showcasing the work of 15 contemporary artists who both teach and create. The opening reception, hosted by the Friends of Kresge, will take place November 5 from 7-9 p.m. The artists will be present to discuss their work.

The exceptional variety of artistic ideas and techniques in the exhibition mirrors the Department of Art’s range of expertise. Paintings, drawings, sculpture, multi-media installation, photographs, ceramics, and prints reflect many of the issues and perspectives that are integral to today’s diverse world.

Visitors will have the opportunity to view the recent creations of established faculty members. Thomas Berding, d'ann de Simone, James Fagan, Alisa Henriquez, and Irving Zane Taran present paintings, prints, and drawings. Danny Guthrie exhibits photographs and Brian Boldon, Laura Cloud, Jim Hopfensperger, James Lawton, Jae Won Lee, and Michael McCune show sculpture, ceramics, and mixed-media installation pieces. Chris Corneal and Chris VanWyck show graphic design works. Exhibiting for the first time in the Faculty Exhibition is Visiting Instructor Paula Stuart. This exhibition is presented in memory of graphic design professor Michael Fanizza.

Short gallery talks by artists will also be given by Jim Hopfensperger and Jae Won Lee on Monday, November 8 at 9:30 a.m., by Chris Corneal and Chris VanWyck on Thursday, November 18 at 5:30 p.m., and by Brian Boldon and Danny Guthrie on Monday, November 29 at noon. An exhibition catalogue will be available at the museum and online at www.art.msu.edu.

Kresge Art Museum is located on the campus of Michigan State University at Auditorium and Physics Roads in the Kresge Art Center. Admission is free. The museum is open Monday through Friday 10 a.m.- 5 p.m., Thursdays until 8 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday noon- 5 p.m. The museum will be closed November 25-28, 2004. For additional information visit www.artmuseum.msu.edu or call 517/355-7631.

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