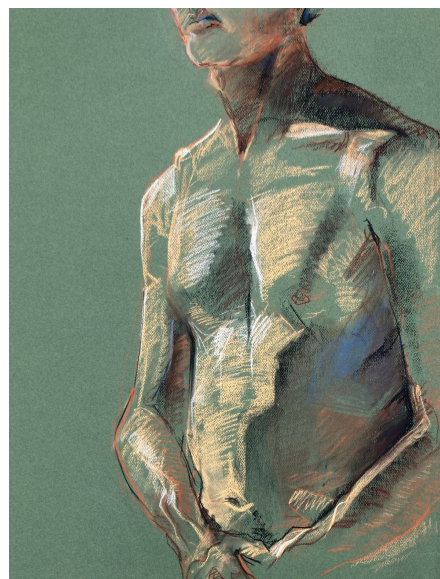


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College of the Redwoods presents the 2023 *Faculty and Staff Exhibition*, beginning through Feb. 16, 2023.

The work in this year's survey includes drawings, sculptures, functional ceramics, photographs, which sometimes touch on common themes like pattern and repetition in decoration and the natural world, and transformation of materials, objects, and forms.

A public reception will take place at the CR Art Gallery on Wednesday, February 8, 2023, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

CR artists Benjamin Funke, Ruth Jensen, L L Kessner, Tova Lund, Mary Mallahan, Natalia Margulis, Christine Reiher, Dean Smith, Shannon Sullivan, David Wilson, and Dave Zdrazil, will all show work representing their current studio practices.

Among the included pieces this year, Mallahan's ceramic work "elucidates meaning and purpose through process, and connects to the user through our shared act of touch, utility, and exchange." She writes that, "These functional ceramic pieces.. are examples of my recent focus on presentational vessels: exploring aesthetic value, evoking curiosity, and enriching utility."

In contrast, Zdrazil presents a "fusion of traditional and contemporary pottery styles," with influences that include, "sustainability, horticulture, and local materials."

David Wilson's art uses digital photomontage to explore a "complicated" interest in night. He writes that, "It has to do with the mysteries of the cosmos, certainly, and I try to capture that. But there is also a fascination with the light that can be found — or introduced — in the darkness beneath the stars."

The College of the Redwoods Art Gallery is open Monday through Wednesday 10 am – 1 pm and by appointment. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, please visit www.redwoods.edu/artgallery or call the Division of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences office at (707) 476-4559.