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Reception Celebrates Stockton Faculty Art; Opening of New Art Gallery

New Work by the Visual Arts Faculty, Recent Paintings
by David Ahlsted Exhibited at Feb. 1 Event

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Galloway Twp., NJ – The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey's new Art Gallery, recently opened on campus here, will celebrate the inaugural exhibitions with a reception on Wednesday, February 1, 2012 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. The gallery is located in L-Wing, adjacent to the Performing Arts Center.

The inaugural exhibitions include works by Visual Arts Faculty Marilyn Brent, Alfonso Corpus, Frank Kallop, Michael McGarvey, Jedediah Morfit, Hannah Ueno and Wendel White.

The other part of the exhibition is a collection of recent paintings by David Ahlsted, a retired former Stockton faculty member. The event is free and open to the public.

"This new facility is comparable the very best galleries one would see in New York or San Francisco," Stockton President Herman J. Saatkamp said. "It is a superb venue to display the works of talented artists."

The gallery has two levels. The lower gallery contains approximately 2,250 square feet with 183 feet of wall space. The upper gallery features a floor cutout overlooking the lower gallery and also is approximately 2,250 square feet with 163 feet of wall space.

The lower gallery will show the visual arts faculty exhibition. In the upper gallery, Ahlsted's solo exhibition features a selection of painted studies for his commissioned murals in the new Campus Center. Ahlsted's four murals, *New Jersey Pine Barrens: Spring, Summer, Fall Winter*

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were permanently installed in the Campus Center Grand Hall last year and may be viewed there during regular Campus Center hours.

The inaugural exhibitions may also be viewed through February 22 during regular gallery hours: Monday-Saturday: 12 noon until 7:30 p.m. and Sunday from 12-4 p.m.

All Stockton Art Gallery events are sponsored by the Visual Arts Faculty, School of Arts and Humanities of The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey.

For more information, please call 609-652-4214 or visit www.stockton.edu/artgallery

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