



PRESS RELEASE: Dru King to be Featured in Ferris ' Rankin Art Gallery

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Included below is a press release regarding an upcoming exhibit Ferris State University's Rankin Student Center Art Gallery by painter Dru King of the Kendall College of Art and Design of FSU. Any questions regarding this exhibit can be directed to Sandy Gholston, interim assistant director of News Services.

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BIG RAPIDS – Beautiful, lyrical and exotic are only a few words to describe artist Dru King.

An upcoming exhibit featuring King's paintings will be hosted in Ferris State University's Rankin Student Center Art Gallery. The gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

King's exhibit will be featured Feb. 1 through 26 in Rankin.

Carrie Weis, director of the Rankin Art Gallery, believes exhibit visitors will find King's work pictorially interesting.

"His figures are placed in unique settings, in deistic poses, against backdrops of colorful patterns and ambiguous space, similar to Gustav Klimt," said Weis, who added that Rankin Art Gallery can host 11 to 13 paintings.

King is a graduate of Kendall College of Art and Design of Ferris State University where he earned a Master in Fine Arts with an emphasis in painting. He is currently a part-time adjunct instructor at KCAD where he teaches Color Theory, Drawing and Figure Drawing.

King has an interest in large-figure painting. The body of his work that will be on display consists of large-scaled figure painting, with canvases that are oversized. His imagery depicts the idealized human form – mostly females.

His latest exhibit, Le Sacre, was featured in Bryneboehm Gallery in Grand Rapids in January 2009.

Exposing the campus and community to a variety of art is a continuing mission of the Rankin Art

Gallery, according to Weis.

“It is our goal to bring a taste of the art world onto our campus,” she said. “We achieve this by selecting art and artists that are as diverse as possible in style, medium and content.”

King’s exhibit in the Rankin Student Center Art Gallery is free and open to the public.

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