

ART STUDENTS RECEIVE MANY AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS IN 2007

Art students graduating with distinction (students who earn a 3.7 to 4.0 are eligible for this honor) at the Spring 2007 graduation ceremony held at Moby Arena on Saturday, May 12, 2007 included **Kema Berry, Shana Brown, Joshua House, Midori Igarashi, Andrew Nathan Lyon, Eric Noon, Andrew Schneider, Hannah Shadis, Jeffery Thomsen, and Mika Walker**. Five art majors graduated with distinction at the Fall 2007 graduation ceremony held at Moby Arena on Saturday, December 15, 2007. These students included **Jessica Barnes, Dean Thompson, Diane Heron, Kimberly Kronwall and Sheryl Steinmark**.

Handwoven Magazine invited students from college fiber departments across the country to share their views with magazine editors, suggestions for the magazine, and their work in the September/October 2007 issue. The schools represented included: Fashion Institute of Technology (New York City), Colorado State University (Fort Collins, CO), Kansas City Art Institute (Kansas City), Haywood Community College (Professional Crafts Program, Greenville, North Carolina), Syracuse University (Syracuse, New York), and Mendocino College (Ukiah, California). Colorado State fiber students **Katrina Vogel** and **Katherine Vigil** were featured, along with their artwork.

Sara Rockinger and **Kevin Kissel**, selected for *Interweave Press Scholarships in Fibers*, exhibited in Colorado's Small Stitches, Tinton Gallery, Greeley, CO. Rockinger has also been selected as a workshop assistant at the Penland School summer program, Penland, North Carolina.

Rebecca Valenta presented a paper, *A Dalang within Illustration: Jan Toorop's Symbolist works from 1890-1897* at the 22nd Annual Student Symposium sponsored by the College Advisory Committee of the Denver Art Museum on Saturday, April 7, 2007. Other symposium participants were students from the University of Denver, University of Northern Colorado, Metropolitan State College of Denver, University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, Colorado College and the University of Colorado at Boulder.

The Denver Democratic Convention 2008 Planning Committee selected the logotype design of senior, **Nathan Zehr**, for its public relations and promotions campaign. Graphic design student **Kerri Jones**, was the recipient of a \$3,000 creative scholarship from the Spark Competition—designed to help college and graduate students ignite their marketing careers and sponsored by Burns Marketing Communications.

Last year the Department of Art, College of Liberal Arts and the Division of Student Affairs worked with the English Department to “reinvent” the literary journal *A/Journal*. The newly redesigned magazine became a premier literary and arts journal for Colorado State University. Undergraduate and graduate art students highlighted in the newly revised journal included **Molly O'Connell, Ben Hill, Jonathon Hale, Kate Brennen, J.M. Jensen, Aaron Montoya, Mathew Keller, Chloe Johnson, Sterling Oldermeyer, Jesse Cogswell, Tony Holmquist, Andrea Martens, and Carrie Durkee**.

The number of service learning opportunities in the Department of Art continues to grow. The summer 2007 graphic design program focused on graphic promotions for the International Symposium on Vertebrate Invasive Species, held at the Fort Collins Hilton in August. Students visited and worked directly with researchers at the USDA-Wildlife Services National Wildlife Research Center.

Art Education students continued a six year tradition of teaching art classes at the *Lab School for Creative Learning*. The Lab School is a Poudre School District school of choice that focuses on expeditionary learning. Art education students design and teach art experiences to students in grades kindergarten through sixth grade. Art education students also had the opportunity to complete service learning opportunities with Larimer County Human Services, Foothills Gateway and the Art in the Sky program housed at the Fort Collins Museum of Contemporary Art.

In the fall of 2007, painting students in ART460: Advanced Painting, answered a call from the Bohemian Foundation to paint a mural on the north side of the former Steele's Market at the southwest corner of Mountain Avenue and Howes Street in Old Town Fort Collins. The mural, which incorporates lots of green and gold, includes the Rocky Mountains, Horsetooth Rock, the Ram, the Colorado State flag and Colorado State students and athletes cheering.

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