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Turchin Center Celebrates Three New Exhibitions and Welcomes Two Visiting Artists

Boone, NC – The Turchin Center for the Visual Arts at Appalachian State University is celebrating the opening of three new exhibitions during Downtown Boone’s First Friday Art Crawl on September 5, 2014 from 6-10 p.m. Visitors are welcome to come and take in the artwork while enjoying live music, free appetizers, a cash bar and a chance to meet the artists!

Artists Gordon Froud from South Africa (and guest curator for the international exhibition *TWENTY: Contemporary Art from South Africa*), Lori Esposito, Althea Murphy Price and Travis Graves will be in attendance during this opening. Esposito will be working live in Gallery A from 7:30-8:30 that evening and all are welcome to come and observe her processes.

For more information on this event or for any questions, call 828-262-3017 or visit tcva.org.

About the new exhibitions

Lori Esposito: *The Elaborate Ordinary*
Gallery A, West Wing
Through November 15, 2014

Excerpt from artist statement: “This work sits at the juncture between human relationships to culture and the demarking of movement to record events. I am inquiring how the body can function as a primary instrument of mapping and through drawing, embody non-material experience.”

Superficial Details: Althea Murphy Price
Gallery B, West Wing
Through November 15, 2014

Excerpt from artist statement: "I am fascinated by the inexplicable link between the subject of hair and its influence on our social culture and personal identity. Much of my inspiration has derived from hair's significant relevance to Black American culture and community. Topics concerning hair are numerous and layered in complexity. I view hair as a subject of both individuality and assimilation."

Travis Graves: *Indivisible* (Site-Specific Installation)
Mayer Gallery, West Wing
Through November 15, 2014

Excerpt from artist statement: "I find myself drawn to the manipulation of natural materials as a metaphor for society's dependence on nature and ultimately its influence over it."

Existing Exhibitions:

- *TWENTY: Contemporary Art from South Africa*
- *South African History Under Apartheid: A Tribute to Nelson Mandela*

Related Events

- Visiting Artist: Gordon Froud; September 2-12
- Visiting Artist: Lori Esposito; September 3-5
- Lori Esposito site installation in the gallery- September 3, 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
- Meditation/Touch Drawings Workshop with Lori Esposito- September 3, 6- 8:45 p.m.
- ARTSpectrum Lecture with Gordon Froud- September 10, 6-7 p.m.
- Gallery Tour with Gordon Froud- September 11, 6-7 p.m.

For more information on these events, visit tcva.org/calendar.

About the Turchin Center for the Visual Arts

The Turchin Center for the Visual Arts presents exhibition, education and collection programs that support Appalachian State University's role as a key regional educational, cultural and economic resource.

The Turchin Center is located at 423 West King St., in Boone. Hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Tues.-Thurs. and Saturday, and Noon-8 p.m., Friday. The Center is closed Sunday and Monday, and observes all university holidays. There is no admission charge, although donations are gratefully accepted.

For additional details about the Turchin Center, becoming a donor, the upcoming exhibitions, to be added to the mailing list or to schedule a tour, please call (828) 262-3017 or visit www.tcva.org. You can also follow the Turchin Center on Facebook and Twitter @TurchinCenter.

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