Two new exhibits on tap at RCC art galleries

GRANTS PASS — Two new art exhibits are planned at the Rogue Community College galleries.

From March 4 through 21, the FireHouse Gallery will host Japanese artist Ming Nishiki Tayui, while the Wiseman Gallery will exhibit works by New York artist Carol Radsprecher March 5 through April 4.

An assistant professor of painting at the University of Idaho, Tayui was born in Japan and immigrated to the U.S. as a young adult. Her exhibit, “Word Within,” features watercolors that describe the cultural tensions she has encountered as a traveler and immigrant. Tayui uses calligraphy and Sumi-e as the foundation to express the relationship between written language and visual images.

Tayui will be at the FireHouse Gallery at 2 p.m. March 7 to talk about her work. A First Friday reception is scheduled from 5 to 8 p.m., also in the gallery, which is located at the corner of H and Fourth streets in Historic City Hall. Paintings by Tracie Ballensky and Candice Johnson will be on display in the Community Exhibits Room. Hours are 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday.

In the RCC Wiseman Gallery, Radsprecher’s exhibit, “Playing Around” will feature paintings and Photoshop drawings that use narrative images to reference the human body. Each drawing is one of an extended series in which the sequence of images shows the viewer the evolution of ideas and narrative within that series.

The Wiseman Gallery is located on the RCC Redwood Campus, 3345 Redwood Hwy. Hours are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday.

For more information on either exhibit, call 541-956-7241.

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