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ROCK HILL, S.C. - The photographic talents of South Carolina's K-12 students will be the focus of Winthrop University Galleries' first exhibition of the spring 2011 season.

Thirty entries in the 2011 S.C. Schools Photography Competition, open to all K-12 and home-schooled students in the state, will be on display Jan. 24- Feb. 24 in the Lewandowski Student Gallery. Fine art photographer Carolyn DeMeritt, whose work can be seen at Hodges Taylor Gallery in Charlotte, N.C., judged and selected the entries for exhibition. Awards for the S.C. Schools Photography Competition will be announced Feb. 5 at noon during the awards reception in Lewandowski Student Gallery.

The "23rd Annual Undergraduate Juried Exhibition" will run Feb. 7-March 25 in Rutledge Gallery. Selected by juror Steven Matijcio, curator for the Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art in Winston-Salem, N.C., this exhibition includes student-artist work across a range of disciplines, including painting, drawing, sculpture, jewelry/metals, photography and more. Also during Feb. 7-March 25, Winthrop assistant professor of fine arts Courtney Starrett's "RubberMADE," a collection of objects, both interactive and wearable, will be on display in the Elizabeth Dunlap Patrick Gallery. Starrett will give a Galleries lecture on Feb. 8 at 8 p.m. in Rutledge Building 119. The Galleries will hold an opening reception to celebrate the undergraduate juried exhibition and "RubberMADE," as well as an awards ceremony for the juried exhibition, on Feb. 4 at 6:30 p.m. in Rutledge and Patrick Galleries.

Opening in March will be the "Undergraduate Intercollegiate Jewelry and Metals Exhibition," March 7-25 in the Lewandowski Student Gallery. The awards reception for the exhibition, juried by Bob Ebendorf, internationally renowned metalsmith and jeweler, will be held March 25 at 6:30 p.m. in the gallery.
Four exhibitions open in the Galleries in April: "Tables," April 4-14 in Lewandowski Student Gallery; the "M.F.A. Thesis Exhibition," April 11-May 6, Patrick Gallery; the "B.F.A. Senior Undergraduate Exhibition," April 11-May 6 in Rutledge Gallery; and the "Interior Design Student Exhibition," April 25-May 6 in Lewandowski Student Gallery. The Galleries' opening reception for the B.F.A. and M.F.A. exhibitions will be held April 15 at 6:30 p.m. in Rutledge and Patrick Galleries.

During spring 2011, the Galleries also will host a number of lectures by guest artists. The complete schedule of lectures is as follows:

- **Feb. 17:** "Making in the Real World" series: Dan Allegrucci, artist, printmaker  
  8 p.m., Rutledge 119
- **Feb. 28:** "Making in the Real World" series: Richard Elaver, industrial designer, metalsmith  
  8 p.m., Rutledge 119
- **March 3:** "Making in the Real World" series: Frank McCauley, chief curator/assistant director, Sumter Count Gallery of Art  
  8 p.m., Rutledge 119
- **March 24:** WUG Lecture: Bob Ebendorf, metalsmith and jeweler; Belk Distinguished Professor of Art, East Carolina University  
  8 p.m., Rutledge 119
- **April 14:** WUG Artist Lecture: Adrian Rhodes, M.F.A. thesis candidate  
  8 p.m., Patrick Gallery
- **April 15:** "Making in the Real World" series: Jonathan Brilliant, artist, sculptor  
  5:30 p.m., Rutledge 119
- **April 21:** WUG Artist Lecture: Sandy Singletary, M.F.A. thesis candidate  
  8 p.m., Patrick Gallery

**Winthrop University Galleries** hours are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., and closed on weekends, university holidays and between exhibitions including Jan. 17 and March 14-18. For more information, call the Galleries at 803/323-2493 or e-mail Karen Derksen, Galleries director, at derksenk@winthrop.edu.

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