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ROCK HILL, S.C. - Winthrop University Galleries celebrates a successful completion of its 2006-07 exhibition/academic year with a Gala Spring Reception on April 13 from 6:30-8 p.m.

During the reception, visitors can view "25 New Works: The 19th Annual Undergraduate Juried Exhibition" in the Rutledge Gallery; the M.F.A. Thesis Exhibitions of Kathleen Burke and Kim Dick in the Elizabeth Dunlap Patrick Gallery; and the M.F.A. Works in Progress Exhibition in the Edmund D. Lewandowski Student Gallery featuring works by M.F.A. candidates Natalie Bork, Charlotte Zweber Chavis and Erica Shaver. Finally, the McLaurin Third-Floor Student Gallery will feature an exciting exhibition entitled "Drawings and Prints by Art and Design Students."

Tonya Cribb, gallery director at Brenau University in Gainesville, Ga., will jury this year's annual undergraduate juried exhibition scheduled for Rutledge Gallery. Cribb is a 1997 graduate of Winthrop's Department of Art and Design. During her undergraduate experience at Winthrop, she served as a gallery assistant and went on to receive her M.A. in Museum Science from Texas Tech University. After Tech, she worked as an arts administrator and director of the Dorothy Page Museum in Wasilla, Ala.

The 19th Annual Undergraduate Juried Exhibition will be a significant departure from undergrad exhibitions in past years, as Cribb will select only 25 works from disciplines including painting, drawing, sculpture, jewelry/metals, photography, ceramics, illustration, printmaking, graphic design and interior design. Participating student-artists also will be required to compose an artist statement about each of their entries. Regardless of the juror’s final selection, all works entered into the exhibition will be available for purchase by gallery patrons on April 5 and 6. The exhibition will continue through June 22.

In the Elizabeth Dunlap Patrick Gallery, the paintings of Kathleen Burke and the sculpture of Kim Dick will provide a glimpse into their M.F.A. thesis and the years they have spent at Winthrop growing into mature artists. Burke and Dick will present a lecture about their work April 12 at 8 p.m. in Rutledge Auditorium. The exhibition will continue through June 22.

All exhibitions, presentations and receptions are open and free to the public.

Winthrop University Galleries is located in the Rutledge Building (1898 Alumni Dr.) and McLaurin Hall (1896 Alumni Dr.) on the campus of Winthrop University. Gallery hours are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and closed weekends.

For more information, call 803/323-2493 or the Arts Hotline at 803/323-3000.