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## Quick Facts

- "Landscape to Skyscape" will open Nov. 16 in Longitude 80 Lounge of Evoke Restaurant in Charlotte, North Carolina.
- The exhibition includes the work of fine arts professors Seymour Simmons and Seth Rouser and Fozzhan Kashkooli '17.



"Les Bouchoux" by Seymour Simmons

ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA – The works of two Winthrop University fine arts professors and a recent M.F.A. graduate will be part of a one-day exhibition entitled "**Landscape to Skyscape.**" The exhibition will be on display Nov. 16 at the Longitude 80 Lounge of **Evoke Restaurant** in the **Le Méridien** hotel in Charlotte, North Carolina.

**Seymour Simmons**, professor of fine arts, **Seth Rouser '99**, assistant professor of fine arts, and **Fozzhan Kashkooli '15**, all

have an affinity for depicting space in varying forms from traditional realism to non-representational imagery.

**Simmons'** watercolor landscapes come from his years of travel to the Jura Mountains near the French-Swiss border. Besides depicting specific scenes—landscapes with houses or villages—these paintings represent the solidity of human life in this rugged environment. The exhibition will also include a "**Retirement Retrospective**" for **Simmons**, who will soon retire, that will include a selection of drawings, paintings and prints done over the past five decades.

By contrast, **Rouser's** oil paintings of cloudscapes give the viewer a sense of being groundless. Often depicted with abstract choices in coloration and mark-making, **Rouser's** use of abstraction in conjunction with clouds offers a contemplative exploration of this ever-changing subject.

Finally, **Kashkooli** captures the natural beauty of landscape in abstract form. Through the dynamic and diverse play of line, color and shape, her paintings are alternately vibrant and calming to reflect the qualities of her subjects.

The event is **free** and **open to the public**.

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