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January – August 2010

The Snite Museum of Art University of Notre Dame

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INFORMATION

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Galleries open:

Tuesday and Wednesday 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Thursday through Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Closed Mondays and major holidays Free admission — open to all

St. Carlo Borromeo and the Plague-Stricken Giacinto Brandi — details on page 13

Marius and the Gaul, about 1796

MAP

The Snite Museum is centrally located on the University of Notre Dame campus, northwest of the football stadium. Visitor parking is available east of DeBartolo Performing Arts Center at Eddy St. and Holy Cross Drive.







FROM THE DIRECTOR

Butkin Trust Gift

The Muriel S. Butkin Trust recently gifted 187 artworks previously on loan to the Snite Museum of Art. The Butkin Collection features 19th-century French paintings, drawings, prints, photographs, small sculptures and decorative arts. Many of the artworks are presently on display within the 19th-Century Gallery, such as François-Xavier Fabre's *Marius* and the Gaul, ca. 1796, illustrated below.

Muriel was preceded in death by her husband Noah, a chemical engineer and metals executive. The Butkins lived in Shaker Heights, Ohio, and shared a passion for collecting 18th-and 19th-century art—Noah focused primarily on paintings and Muriel mostly collected drawings (which have been donated to the Cleveland Museum of Art).

In 1977, now-retired John D. Reilly Curator of Western Arts Stephen B. Spiro met the Butkins, who subsequently began to place French paintings on loan with the Snite Museum of Art. According to Director Emeritus Dean Porter, "By the time of Mr. Butkin's death in the winter of 1980, he had placed nearly one hundred fifty French paintings and oil sketches at Notre Dame. When the Snite Museum of Art opened in 1980, we possessed a collection of remarkable consequence, nineteenth-century paintings by Gustave Courbet, Thomas Couture, Pierre Puvis de Chavannes, Jean Louis Ernst Meissonier, Jean-Léon Gérôme, Alphonse Legros, Alexandre George Henri Regnault, Charles Carolus-Duran, and François-Xavier Fabre."





Photographic portrait of Murial S. Butkin, ca. 1960

During the time that Noah was a trustee of the Cleveland Museum of Art, he developed a friendship with acclaimed 19th-century French art scholar Gabriel Weisberg, who then worked at the museum. (See page 7 for a description of the Weisberg drawing collection, which will be exhibited at the Museum in January 2010.) We are very pleased that Dr. Weisberg has committed to organize a fall 2012 exhibition and catalog of the Snite Museum of Art's Butkin Collection.

The exhibition and publication will provide a longoverdue opportunity to acknowledge and capitalize upon the generosity and exquisite taste of these collectors who provided the Snite Museum of Art with one of its true collection strengths.

– Charles R. Loving Director and Curator, George Rickey Sculpture Archive

Marius and the Gaul, ca. 1796 François-Xavier Fabre French, 1766-1837 oil over ink on paper mounted to canvas 12.5 x 15.13 inches Gift of the Muriel S. Butkin Trust 2009.045.062

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Image below:

Two avid collectors of Chicano and Latino art who enjoyed exchanging information during a late-September campus event—Cheech Marin, left, actor and comedian, and Gilberto Cárdenas, right, director of the Institute for Latino Studies and assistant provost (see article on page 25).



EXHIBITIONS

Markings: Koo Kyung Sook

Milly and Fritz Kaeser Mestrovic Studio Gallery

January 17 - March 7, 2010

Korean-born artist Koo Kyung Sook created this set of six prints on handmade mulberry paper by applying photographic developing solution to fabric that was placed over sheets of photographic paper—and then lying atop the fabric. Impressions made by the weight and movement of her body were then scanned and printed by an inkjet printer.

Commenting on her process Chung Hwan Kho observed, "Although she borrows the computer to increase scale, the images cannot be placed in the category of digitally generated art. For the most part, her method falls outside existing photographic categories and might best be called *bodygraphs*. Regardless how we might choose to label the work [it] presents a new synthesis of her unique and introspective investigation of the body, identity, and existence."



The artist will talk about her work during a 5 to 7 p.m. reception on Friday, February 19, 2010.



Marking No. 7–4, 2007
Koo Kyung Sook
Korean, born 1960
inkjet print on handmade mulberry paper
73.125 x 35.625 inches (approximately)
Acquired with funds provided by the
Walter R. Beardsley Endowment for Contemporary Art
2008.035.004



The World of Piranesi A Multi-Disciplinary Approach to Learning

Scholz Family Works on Paper Gallery January 17 - February 28, 2010

This exhibition of the prints of Giovanni Battista Piranesi (1720-1778) involved ND students of Italian language and architecture in a series of assignments designed to expand their current and future studies in language, history, culture and design. Students in Beginning Italian for Architects translated labels; those in Intermediate Italian translated exhibition panels and wrote reflections on Piranesi's work for the exhibition website. Students in the School of Architecture's First Year Drawing class made drawings from Piranesi prints and contributed photos of them to the exhibition website. Architecture students in Rome took photos of buildings Piranesi had drawn, and they are displayed on the website next to reproductions of Piranesi's prints of the same subjects.

The Piranesi exhibition and website were made possible by a Faculty Lead Grant awarded by the Office of Undergraduate Studies and the Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts. Both are cosponsored

by the Center for the Study of Languages and Cultures (CSLC), the Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, and the Snite Museum of Art.

Diana Matthias, curator of education, academic programs, the Snite Museum of Art, and Giovanna Lenzi-Sandusky, lecturer in Italian Studies, led the project. Nicole Paxton Sullo, MA candidate in art history, provided scholarly and technical support. Special thanks to Dr. Lance Askildson, director of the CSLC and to Francis Hittinger, MA candidate in Italian Studies, for developing the website which you are encouraged to visit at http://piranesi.nd.edu.

Arch of Titus, 1760 Giovanni Battista Piranesi Italian, 1720-1778 etching 20.25 x 28.25 inches (51.40 x 71.80 cm) Gift of Rica and Harvey Spivack 2006.008.003

Expanding the Boundaries: Selected Drawings from the Yvonne and Gabriel P. Weisberg Collection

O'Shaughnessy Galleries II and III January 17 - February 28, 2010

The beautiful drawings featured in this exhibition are presented by themes such as studies for works in other media, cultural icons, traditions of rural life and landscape drawing. They range from meticulous charcoal studies to loose watercolor sketches, from layered pastels to sheets that combine multiple mediums in innovative ways.

Dr. Gabriel Weisberg is a celebrated scholar and connoisseur of 19th-century French art. Since the mid 1970s he has prepared a series of comprehensive exhibitions, catalogues, books, and articles which have focused on themes affecting French art from the middle of the nineteenth century until World War I. Many of these museum-based exhibitions and publications have played a role in redefining issues and reconceptualizing the ways in which movements and artists in this era are now viewed or discussed. The drawing collection was assembled by Weisberg and his Swiss-born wife essentially rediscovered several of the artists featured in the exhibition, thus expanding the boundaries of 19th-century art history.

The exhibition is organized by the Minneapolis Institute of Arts. Associate Curator of Prints and Drawings, Dr. Lisa Dickinson Michaux curated the exhibition and co-authored with Dr. Weisberg the accompanying catalogue. The exhibition and the catalogue were made possible with support from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Exhibitions Endowment Fund. The drawings will eventually enter the Minneapolis Institute of Arts permanent collection as part of a promised gift from the Weisbergs.



Windmill in Haarlem, 1873
Antoine Vollon
French, 1833-1900
black and white chalk on gray paper
Collection of Yvonne and Gabriel P. Weisberg
L2007.89.16

EXHIBITIONS

Yin Yu Tang: A Chinese Home

Scholz Family Works on Paper Gallery March 14 - April 25, 2010

This exhibition, curated by Nancy Berliner, is presented in collaboration with the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts. It features photographs of the 200year-old Yin Yu Tang home which was moved, piece by piece, from the Chinese village of Huang Cun to the Peabody Essex Museum in Massachusetts. The March 27 musical performance in the Center by the Kronos Quartet and soloist Wu Man features a commissioned work of music inspired by this ancient structure.

Drawing on the metaphors embodied by Yin Yu Tang of displacement and migration, the personal and private versus the public and formal— A Chinese Home explores China's evolving identity through works ranging from photographs and folk tunes to electronic music, enhanced with staging and video elements.

On March 25, 2010, a 6:30 p.m. panel discussion on the restoration project and the music it inspired will feature Nancy Berliner, curator of Chinese Art at Peabody Essex Museum, David Harrington of the Kronos Quartet, and soloist Wu Man. A reception will follow.

Top image: Just a few of the eight generations of Huang Family members who lived in the house.

Center image: The late-18th-century home (center) was built by a wealthy merchant in the small village of Huang Cun, in southern Anhui Province.

Bottom image: The home as it was being disassembled.













Caroline Chiu Polaroids as Chinese Ink Painting An installation from a Chinese Wunderkammer

Milly and Fritz Kaeser Mestrovic Studio Gallery March 14 - April 25, 2010



These photographs are taken from Hong Kong artist Caroline Chiu's larger series entitled Dreaming: A Chinese Wunderkammer. Wunderkammer were 17thand 18th-century European "wonder rooms" or "cabinets of curiosity"—some of the earliest known "museums"—which contained specimens reflecting the natural world, anthropology, archaeology, relics, and art. The late Qing emperor Qianlong, known for his passion for the arts, also pursued this type of collecting.

In Chiu's case, she collects, by photography, objects representing the material culture of traditional China: bonsai, scholar's rocks, flowers, artworks depicting the animal zodiac, and, here, goldfish. Her choice of subjects makes reference to historical Chinese culture; her graphic photographic images of goldfish suggest the brushstrokes of traditional Chinese ink painting and the sweeping abstract shapes of Chinese writing.

Because the images were taken with a rare 20 x 24 inch Polaroid camera—for which film is no longer manufactured nor available—the exhibition is also an elegy to the era of Polaroid cameras and film. Indeed, it may mark the passing of film media in favor of digital photography.

Describing her planned installation, Chiu indicates:

Individual photographs will be installed in series from three to ten images so that the swimming of the goldfish appears continuous and fluid. The photographs will be accompanied by an aquarium replicating the dimensions of the gallery and replete with live goldfish. The change in scale between the actual aquarium and the depiction of the gallery as an enormous aquarium will be enhanced by sounds of splashing water—so the viewer might imagine themself swimming among the goldfish. That is, I hope to create dissonances of scale by creating conflicting perceptions of looking into the actual aquarium while simultaneously feeling contained within a larger aquarium.

Concurrent to this Snite Museum of Art exhibition, Chiu will also create a five-day installation on the Notre Dame campus entitled 108 Thoughts on Spirituality. The installation will consist of projected images of flames, photographs of flames, music from various sacred traditions, sacred smells, a space to meditate and an opportunity for audience members to respond to questions about spirituality by writing or drawing upon Chiu's photographs. Participants will receive one of Chiu's photographs in appreciation for their commentary on spirituality.

The artist will speak during a 5 to 6 p.m. reception on Thursday, April 15, 2010.

EXHIBITIONS

2010 BFA/MFA Candidates' Theses Exhibition

O'Shaughnessy Galleries March 28 - May 16, 2010

This annual exhibition of culminating works by seniors and third-year graduate students in the Art, Art History and Design Department demonstrates a broad awareness of the themes and processes of contemporary art and is often provocative.

Museum visitors-particularly trustees, parents, and other such guests-are often challenged and always intrigued by the aspiring graduates' creations. The artworks range from industrial and graphic design projects and complex multi-media installations to more traditional art forms such as paintings, drawings, photographs, prints, ceramics, and sculpture.

On Sunday, March 28 the Art, Art History and Design Departmental awards will be announced in the Annenberg Auditorium during the 2–4 p.m. opening reception, along with the 2010 Efroymson Family Fund Emerging Artists Awards.

For the fourth consecutive year, these are possible due to a \$10,000 grant award from the Efroymson Family Fund, a Central Indiana Community Foundation Fund.



Haute Couture-Blackface, 2009, color photograph by Christopher Andrew







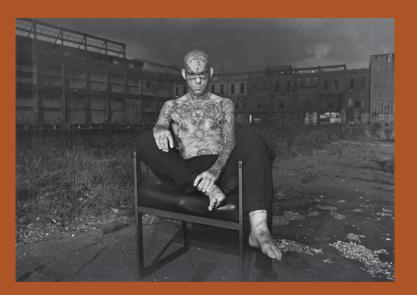
A Selection of Recent Photo Acquisitions

Scholz Family Works on Paper Gallery May 9 - June 20, 2010

This small selection of recent additions to the photography collection will include work by Mexican photographer and recent guest professor Antonio Turok, Brazilian-American artist Vik Muniz, photographs of tattooed people by Jeff Crisman, and others.

Jeff T. Crisman

chromogenic print 16×20 inches (50.8 $\times 40.6$ cm.) Acquired with funds provided by the Walter R. Beardsley Endowment for Contemporary Art



Re-installation of Mesoamerican Gallery



The summer 2010 re-installation of the Mesoamerican Gallery celebrating the 2010 bicentennial of Mexican independence from Spain (September 16) and the centennial of the Mexican

Revolution (November 20) will be cosponsored by the Consul General of Mexico in Chicago, Ambassador Manuel Rodríguez Arriaga. *Body and Soul: Life, Death and Wellness* in Ancient Mexico will open in early fall and feature human figurines sculpted in Mexico from Olmec to Aztec times, 1600 B.C.E.–1521 C.E. Figurine poses that illustrate robust health, a wide variety of medical conditions, the faded or now-invisible body paint that depicts the Mexican concept of the soul, and the significance of costumes worn by victims of human sacrifice will be featured. The re-installation will add some fifty pieces not now on view as well as greatly expand a section that currently deals with some of these topics.

Douglas E. Bradley, curator, Arts of the Americas, Africa and Oceania, draws upon his thirty years' experience in collecting the figurines to interpret their functions and symbolism via photographic ultraviolet (UV) light research to make visible, again, the faded body painting.



In July 2009, Douglas E. Bradley guided Amb. Manuel Rodríguez Arriaga, consul general of Mexico in Chicago, through the Mesoamerican Gallery, in which Body and Soul will be installed during the summer of 2010.

2009 Ceramic sculpture by Ryan Bantz



Two Italian Baroque Paintings Donated by Joseph F. McCrindle

The Snite Museum is one of about 30 American museums to benefit from the generosity of publisher, philanthropist and art collector, Joseph F. McCrindle, whose massive collection of old master paintings, and old master and 19th-century drawings, was dispersed after his death in July 2008 at the age of 85. McCrindle (BA Harvard '44, JD Yale '48) worked in the financial and publishing worlds before becoming a literary agent. He was the founder and editor of the quarterly *Transatlantic Review* and creator of the Henfield Foundation, now called the Joseph F. McCrindle Foundation, to award grants to organizations and individuals involved in the arts and social justice.

McCrindle donated two of his Italian Baroque (1600–1750) paintings to the Snite. St. Carlo Borromeo Administering the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist to the Plague-Stricken is attributed to Giacinto Brandi (Italian, 1621-1691) and appears to be a preparatory oil study for a large painting by Brandi that hangs over a chapel altar in Santa Maria della Vittoria, Rome, Italy. McCrindle purchased it from a Roman art dealer in 1966. Brandi had numerous commissions to decorate Italian churches, and his contemporaries considered him as skillful as his peers Pier Francesco Mola, Ciro Ferri and Carol Maratti.

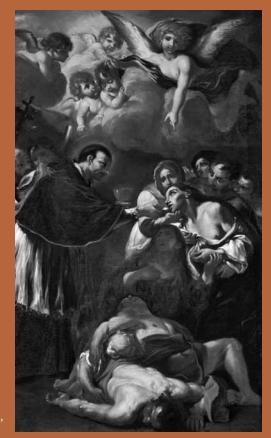
The painting commemorates Cardinal St. Carlo Borromeo's (Italian, 1538–1584) devotion to the care of bubonic plaque sufferers in Milan during the 1576 epidemic, which was just one of a lifetime of remarkable events. He made major contributions to the reforms within the Church through participation in the Council of Trent and the creation of the Tridentine Catechism, and his establishment of an educational system for training seminarians.

The allegorical female figure seated on a cloud by Francesco de Mura (Italian, 1696–1782) is also likely to be a study for a larger work, but requires further research. He had many secular and religious architectural commissions to decorate large ceilings with complex allegorical scenes. The bright, pastel, color palette indicates the influence of then-newly-popular Rococo style from France, and thus a late work by de Mura.

The paintings add to the Museum's collection of old master paintings, including the large Francesco de Mura already in the collection—*Bacchus and Ceres*, 1735, on view in the permanent collection galleries.

Above right

St. Carolo Borromeo Administering the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist to the Plague-Stricken, ca. 1668-69 Giacinto Brandi Italian, 1621-1691 oil on canvas 19.375 x 18.125 inches Bequest of Joseph F. McCrindle Collection 2009.031.001





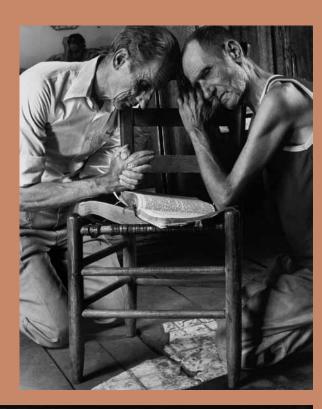
Seated Allegorical Figure Surrounded by Putti, late 18th-century Francesco de Mura Italian, 1696-1782 oil on canvas 22.063 x 17.375 inches Bequest of Joseph F. McCrindle Collection

RECENT ACQUISITIONS

William McGraw Photography Collection Gift

Thanks to a generous gift by Dr. William McGraw '65 of Indianapolis, the photography collection has been made stronger. Dr. McGraw has donated his entire collection of contemporary photography to the Museum. The 49 pieces represent some of the most important artists of the recent period, including Sally Mann, Shelby Lee Adams, Robert and Shana ParkeHarrison, Richard Misrach, Terry Evans, Abelardo Morrell, and Michael Kenna. Many of the artists are new to the collection, such as Keith Carter, James Fee, and Rocky Schenck. A few images are by photographers already in the collection, but there is no duplication; styles range from straight documentation to surrealism. A welcome addition is a large early photograph by Notre Dame art professor Martina Lopez.

The Museum is planning a future exhibit of the entire collection.







Reclamation, 2003
Robert and Shana ParkeHarrison
Americans, Robert born 1968, Shana born 1964
photogravure
18 x 21 inches (47.5 x 53.3 cm.)
Gift of Dr. William McGraw '65

Brothers Praying, 1993 (opposite page, above)
Shelby Lee Adams
American, born 1950
gelatin silver print
18 x 14.75 inches (45.7 x 37.5 cm.)
Gift of Dr. William McGraw '65
2009.047.028

New Mothers, 1989 (opposite page, belo Sally Mann American, born 1951 gelatin silver print 8 x 10 inches (20.3 x 25.4 cm.) Gift of Dr. William McGraw '65 2009.047.008

RECENT ACQUISITIONS

Nineteenth-Century Latin American Photographs

The Snite Museum continues to build its alreadysubstantial holdings of nineteenth-century Latin American photographs with recently acquired images from Chile, Argentina, and Venezuela. The latter are very rare and were taken on an expedition up the Orinoco River into the Amazon jungle by French anthropologist and explorer Jean Chaffanjon. The indigenous peoples seem not to share the explorers' enthusiasm for the camera, but author Jules Verne used the report of the expedition as the basis of a novel.

Along the Orinoco River, Venezuelan Amazon, ca. 1886-87 Jean Chaffanjon French, 1854-1913

albumen silver print

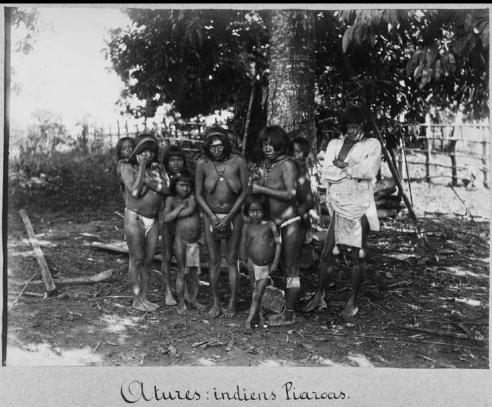
Acquired with funds provided by the 2008-09 Art Purchase Fund 2009.055.002

Guahibo Indians, Venezuelan Amazon, ca. 1886-87 Jean Chaffanjon French, 1854-1913

albumen silver print

Acquired with funds provided by the 2008-09 Art Purchase Fund







Construction of the Empalme Railroad Bridge over the Salado River, Argentina, ca. 1890-1894

George Poulet French, 1848-1936

cyanotype 8.25 x 11 inches (21.0 x 27.9 cm.)

Acquired with funds provided by the 2008-09 Art Purchase Fund

Memorial Gift

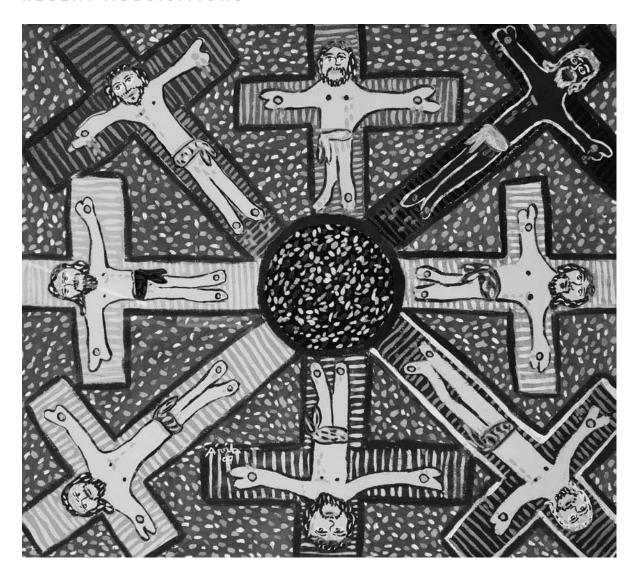
Vik Muniz Photo Given in Memory of Michael O'Shaughnessy '63

Gilberto Cárdenas, director of the Institute for Latino Studies, has made a gift in memory of Michael O'Shaughnessy; the photographer, benefactor, and friend of the Museum died in May 2009. The contemporary photograph *Under the* Bed by the Brazilian-American artist Vik Muniz is an ambrotype-a photograph on glass, popular in the mid-nineteenth century–accompanied by an excerpt from a Goethe poem.

photograph are housed in a folding dark walnut box-a reference to the old cased photographs of the nineteenth century.



Under the Bed, 2005 ambrotype with letterpress in black walnut case
4.75 x 11.625 inches (12.1 x 30.2 cm.)
Gift of Dr. Gilberto Cárdenas in memory of Michael O'Shaughnessy



Naive Painting by Ricardo Ávila

Cuban-American poet, critic, curator, teacher and collector Ricardo Pau-Llosa gave the Museum this painting by Costa Rican artist Ávila. In addition to his very successful career as a poet and teacher, Pau-Llosa has also generated an original model of art criticism which maintains that Latin American modernist painting and sculpture is distinct from parallel currents in Europe and the United States because of the high presence of metaphor, metonymy and synecdoche in its images. He was a senior editor of *Art International* from 1982 to 1994, North American editor for *Southward Art*, and a contributor and advisor to the encyclopedic *Dictionary of Art*, 1996. A frequent lecturer at major art museums such as the Art Institute of Chicago, his art criticism has appeared

frequently in visual art periodicals and journals, and he has served as a juror and curator in various international biennials and group exhibitions.

Pau-Llosa is assisting the Snite Museum of Art in developing its collection of Modern and contemporary Latin American art.

Untitled (naive painting featuring eight crucifixions), 2007 Ricardo Ávila Costa Rican

acrylic on canvas 25 x 28 inches Gift of Ricardo Pau-Llosa 2009.051.002

Emboscada by Nicolás Leiva

Recent gifts of art to the Snite Museum by poet, art critic and collector Ricardo Pau-Llosa inspired contemporary Latin American artist Nicolás Leiva to donate three pastels from his 2008 series, *Emboscada* (Ambush).

Leiva's move from his native Argentina to Miami, Florida, in the early 1990s coincided with both the rise of the American art world's interest in contemporary Latin American art and the emergence of the Miami art scene. The artist's primary goal is to create a pleasurable experience for the viewer, no matter what the media: he has painted cars, surfboards and jeans as well as canvases. In the late 1990s he traveled to Faenza, Italy, where he became intrigued with ceramics. Since then he concentrates on that medium, dividing his time between Italy and the United States.

No matter what the medium, his vibrant palette and imagery remain consistent, and his imaginary flora and fauna continue to inhabit a world filled with mystical symbolism.





Emboscada #1, 2008
Nicolás Leiva
Argentine, born 1958
pastel on canvas
33 x 26 inches
Gift of the artist
2009.050.001

Emboscada #2, 2008 Nicolás Leiva Argentine, born 1958 pastel on canvas 33 x 26 inches Gift of the artist 2009.050.002

Emboscada #8, 20 Nicolás Leiva Argentine, born 1958 pastel on canvas 32 x 26.5 inches Gift of the artist 2009.050.003



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RECENT ACQUISITIONS



Addition to the Works on Paper Collection Gerhard Richter: Elizabeth I

This image is quintessential Capitalist Realism, the German version of Pop Art developed by Gerhard Richter and Sigmar Polke in the 1960s. Similar to Andy Warhol, Richter saw the photographic images propagated in mass communication and advertising as part of our culture's new visual landscape. Noted art critic and philosopher Arthur C. Danto succinctly observed, "With Richter...it is as if photographs are his reality." In this particular instance, Richter based his image on a newspaper reproduction of Queen Elizabeth — an individual whose visage had become a cultural icon, just like representations of Chairman Mao and Marilyn Monroe. At the time the print was

executed, Queen Elizabeth represented for Richter a moderating voice in contrast to extreme leftwing opinions then being expressed in Germany.

This print is also in the collections of the Museum of Modern Art, New York City; Museum of Fine Arts, Boston; and the Tate Gallery, London. There is an oil painting by Richter of the same subject, *Queen Elizabeth*, 1967, in the collection of the Musée d'Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris.

Elizabeth I, 1966
Gerhard Richter
German, born 1932
lithograph, 13/50
27.563 x 23.375 inches (70 x 59.4 cm)
Acquired with funds made available from the Walter R. Beardsley
Endowment for Contemporary Art
2009.046

EDUCATION - ACADEMIC PROGRAMS



What's in a Portrait? People, Places and Things An eight-session class for the Forever Learning Institute, South Bend

In this fall 2009 class, participants were asked to consider broadening the commonly-held idea that a "portrait" is a likeness only of a human being. But to what extent is a painting of a real place a portrait? Can imagined things, people and places be considered.

to be portraits? Although it is difficult to provide definitive answers, merely asking the question helps us to see more and to better understand the human practice of image-making.



Spanish-language Student Docents

Gioconda Carrera Herrera, Mariana Alvarado Pena, and Fatima Monterrubio have provided countless guided museum exhibition tours in Spanish for hundreds of their fellow ND students. Their language skills, good humor, and adaptability create an enjoyable learning experience for students at all levels of Spanish classes. The museum education staff appreciates their individual contributions and wishes the three May 2010 degree candidates success in their future endeavors.

EDUCATION - PUBLIC PROGRAMS



Ninth Annual Day of the Dead Celebration and Installation

Los Angeles artist Maria Elena Castro created the November 2009 *Día de los Muertos* (Day of the Dead) *Ofrenda* installation. The memorial altar (*ofrenda*) honored the artist's deceased father, a craftsman who had designed carnival floats paraded during *Semana Santa* (Holy Week) in Mexico. Castro combined symbols of her father's personal attributes with the traditional *ofrenda* offerings of food, drink, candles, and marigolds. Construction in homes of *ofrendas* and decoration of graves during an all-night vigil by family members are aspects of this annual Mexican event that combines ancient tradition with the eve of the Church's observance of All Saints' and All Souls' Days.

The opening reception included a brief talk by Castro, along with entertainment by ND student musicians and members of the Ballet Folklorico Azul Y Oro. It ended at a campus restaurant with refreshments, free T-shirts and dancing to Latin music provided by DJ Jaime Del Rio.

The annual exhibition and celebration are cosponsored by the Institute for Latino Studies and the Snite Museum of Art, with support from the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Campus Ministry, and Multicultural Student Programs and Services.

Top image: Artist Maria Elena Castro with her Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) gallery installation.

Below: ND students entertained attendees with Mexican songs during the October 29 celebration.



Student Guide to the Renaissance and Medieval Galleries

A Student Guide to the Renaissance and Medieval Galleries at the Snite Museum of Art has been developed and is ready for area teachers and their students. The guide was designed to engage students in careful observation of the museum's objects. Docents familiar with the galleries lead small groups of students as they travel from object to object, observing, discussing, and writing.

Some of the activities included are "How to Recognize a Saint," and "The Materials of the Renaissance Painter." Extended activities such as designing a personal crest or creating a self-portrait are meant to be completed in the student's classroom following the museum visit.

The student guide was authored by museum intern Erica Hansen, MA '09, Jim and Joan Bock Intern, and designed by graphic design interns Amber Cordova, MFA candidate and Michael Swoboda, MA '08. Production costs of this guide were generously underwritten by the Ashbaugh Endowment for Educational Outreach.

Field-tested by 60 sixth-grade students from Christ the King School in South Bend, and 25 students from Twin Branch Model School in Mishawaka, the guide meets Indiana and national standards. To schedule a 90-minute visit, teachers should call the tour desk at 631-3093. Limited financial assistance for bus transportation is available.

Local art teachers, Jenny Kupfer, Christ the King School, and Candace Reilly, Trinity School at Greenlawn, South Bend, were advisers, and Curator of Education, Public Programs, Jackie Welsh directed the project.



New Docent Training Scheduled for Fall 2010

The Snite Museum welcomes applications from individuals with a desire to join the museum's corps of volunteer gallery guides. Training involves attending a weekly, all-day class, for eight months. Volunteers participate in classes in basic art history, touring strategies, lectures and gallery talks by museum curators, independent research and practice in leading

tours. A commitment of two years post-training is required. Many of the museum's docents are retired teachers, but a degree in education is not a prerequisite. Interest in art, learning, and skills in public speaking are necessary. Docents lead tours at both the Snite Museum and the South Bend Museum of Art. For an application, call Jackie Welsh at 631-4435.

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MUSEUM NEWS



In Praise of Donors reception

Dr. and Mrs. R. Stephen Lehman (Maureen), donors for whom the exhibition *In Praise of Donors* was designed, invite fellow council members into the gallery during the opening reception.



Advisory Council meeting

Advisory Council members Joan and Jim Bock converse with Bock Graduate Intern Erica Hansen, MA '09, during a break in council meetings.



Cheech Marin museum tour and talk in the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts

Actor Cheech Marin, of earlier comedy fame—now famed for his Chicano art collection—tours the Museum while on campus at the invitation of Multicultural Student Programs and Services to talk about his collection and receive an Institute for Latino Studies honorary award. Marin is planning a second traveling exhibition curated from his collection and the Snite is a possible venue.



Paul Chaat Smith talk during September opening reception and campus visit

Smithsonian lecturer on Native American art Paul Chaat Smith speaks at the *Fritz Scholder, Contemporary Artist: Influences* opening in September.

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Dialogue and Events During Photography Exhibition

A fall exhibition focused on the topic of extreme eating disorders, *THIN: Photographs by Lauren Greenfield*, led to much discussion on campus. It documented the treatment of female residents of an eating disorders clinic in Florida and was accompanied by excerpts from the diaries kept by some of them. Reactions both pro and con appeared in letters and articles in the daily campus paper, *The Observer*, and the monthly *Scholastic Magazine*. Some considered the exhibit exploitative; others felt that documentary photographs are not really art and do not merit exhibition in the Museum.

However, the overwhelming response was positive. Valerie Staples, a therapist specializing in eating disorders, participated in a public program sponsored by the museum and reported an increase in the

number of students coming to the Center for information or assistance for themselves, their roommates, or their friends, since it had gone on display.

The annual student-run event, Body Awareness Week, incorporated the exhibit by scheduling gallery tours and a screening in the Annenberg Auditorium of the film version of *THIN*, an award-winning HBO documentary. A number of faculty used the exhibit as part of their curriculum, and numerous groups requested tours, among them the residents of a women's dormitory and the dietary staff of Memorial Hospital.

The Snite Museum is pleased to have presented an exhibit from which so many have benefited.







New Catalog Published

The Museum published a catalog to accompany the November 2009 exhibit *Darkness and Light: Death and Beauty in Photography*. All 130 photographs are reproduced with essays by the Milly and Fritz Kaeser Curator of Photography, Steve Moriarty and by the Rev. John A. O'Brien Chair in Theology, Prof. Larry Cunningham. Robert Sedlack, associate professor of art, designed it.

The Snite Museum of Art is now on Facebook

Search "Snite Museum of Art" and become "a fan" in order to receive updates on exhibits, gallery talks, and events. Our page will have photos of past exhibits and events, as well as gallery photos to be shared with family and friends. Fan us now on Facebook and join the growing art community at ND.

Publications Now Available on Snite Web Site

Visit the new "publications" section of the museum's website (www.ne.edu/~sniteart) site to view and print recent exhibition catalogs, highlights of the permanent collection and the latest issue of *Events*. This new "electronic library" was developed in response to the campus-wide mandate to "go green", while providing economical accessibility.

Summer 2010 Renovations

Next summer the galleries and the lower-level rest rooms will have limited availability due to three major renovation projects scheduled to start mid-May and continue into August. The passenger elevator car will be replaced and hydraulic lift-system updated; the Scholz Family Works on Paper Gallery will be expanded; and a "family rest room" that meets current American Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements will be created, with access via the Arts of Africa Gallery.



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Art Storage Cabinets Acquired

Generous 2009 donations of African art collections necessitated the purchase of twelve more state-of-the art storage cabinets. Seven flat files, and five lockable cabinets, each with shelves and drawers of various heights, accommodate many objects in a dust-free environment. Their efficient design and use of space solve current storage challenges, and will minimize future ones.

Douglas Bradley, curator of the arts of the Americas Africa, and Oceania, moves recent African art donations into new storage cabinets.

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2009 Art & Architecture Tour Series

Studio Arts on Grape Road inspired the would-be artists in our group eager to learn more about oil and pastel painting, calligraphy, book art, and papermaking, while the less talented among us could only admire and covet their skills.

A visit to the summer studio of professional artist Diane Tesler in Kewanna was so much more than a beautiful day in the country. The acclaimed instructor from the D.C. area winsomely conveyed her fondness for the region's farms and structures.

Top image: Presentation by artist Anne Binder at Studio Arts, Mishawaka, Indiana.

Below: Diane Tesler and one of her paintings.





New Board Members

President Molly Trafas announced that Amy Tyler, Mindy McIntire Todd, and Anna Jean Cushwa are members of the board of directors, following balloting at the annual meeting in May 2009.

Notice of May 2010 Annual Meeting and Election of Officers

The annual election of members to the Friends board of directors will take place at 1pm on May 17 in the Morris Inn. All members of the Friends of the Snite Museum of Art are eligible to make nominations, using the form available from the Friends office, and results will be announced following the meeting. Reservations are required; please call 631-5516 to do so.

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Hayes and Vicki McIntire, Dennis and Birgitta Hulth. (Not pictured): Richard and Jean Dennen, Ronald and Jane Shawn and Mindy Todd



2009 Benefit Honoree Charles S. Hayes

The Friends twenty-eighth Christmas Benefit Dinner was held December 3 at DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts. The 2009 honoree, Charles S. Hayes, '65, is a long time contributor and donor to the Snite Museum, with the most recent gift being his collection of over 560 20th-century Mexican graphics.

Forty-three prints were exhibited in O'Shaughnessy Galleries this past year. Entitled Para la Gente (For the People), this exhibit was accompanied by an 84-page illustrated catalog. These prints now serve as a valuable academic tool for students of art and art history, as well as other University disciplines.

In addition to mid-century urban and social realism paintings, Hayes collects Arts and Craft silver and vintage sports cars. A resident of South Bend for thirty years, Hayes's daughter Anne and son Chas are both Notre Dame graduates.

The Friends of the Snite thank "Charlie" Hayes and the Benefit Committee for making this a most successful, enjoyable evening.



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The Museum lost two longstanding friends and benefactors when the Ashbaughs passed away this year: Pete in August and Jeannie in November. Jeannie was a Vassar graduate where she double majored in psychology and economics. Pete played Notre Dame football under Coach Frank Leahy as a halfback in the 1941 and 1942 seasons, after which he enlisted in the Army Air Corps, flying the Boeing B-52 Superfortress for three years in the Pacific theater. Following the war, Pete played football again during 1946 and 1947, when Notre Dame won consecutive national titles.

They were married in 1948 and, after Pete's brief professional football career, they settled in Elkhart, Indiana, where they both began careers with Elkhart Brass Manufacturing Company—founded by Jean's grandfather, A.E. Hansen, in 1902. Jean ascended to chairman of the board; Pete served as president, CEO and chairman of the board.

The Ashbaughs assisted the Snite Museum with the acquisition of a number of Mestrovic sculptures including the (Ashbaugh) Madonna, 1917 walnut sculpture, and *Mother*, 1926 marble sculpture acquired from the Art Institute of Chicago in 1999. The Ashbaugh Education Center and Ashbaugh Decorative Arts Gallery in the Snite Museum of Art celebrate the Ashbaugh's generosity, including an endowment they established to support educational outreach in our community. The Ashbaughs also served Notre Dame as members of the College of Arts & Letters Advisory Council, and they faithfully attended and underwrote the Friends of the Snite Museum Annual Christmas Benefit Dinner for 27 years.



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