LOCAL AND REGIONAL EVENTS

First-Year MFA Exhibition, *Ruminant Ground*

| 3 May-26 May 2016 | Beatnik Studios  
Sacramento | *Ruminant Ground* is an exhibition of first-year MFA students. The artists include Henry Bell, Yuan Chen, Mike Cole, Benjamin Ehrmann, Vincent Pacheco, Arielle Rebek, Muzi Rowe and Faith Sponsler. The exhibition runs from 3 May to 26 May on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at the Beatnik Studio. An opening reception will be held on Friday, 6 May from 6-9 pm.  
Beatnik Studio is located n 723 S Street, Sacramento.  
Tuesdays: 10-5 pm, Wednesdays/Thursdays: 11:30-5 pm and by appointment  
(916) 400-4281 |

The Manetti Shrem Museum Student Coalition

| 9 May 2016  
6:00-8:00 pm  
Wellman 230  
UC Davis | The Manetti Shrem Museum Student Coalition strives for authentic representation of the UC Davis student body for the new Jan Shrem and Maria Manetti Shrem Museum of Art, scheduled to open November 13, 2016. Join the coalition and help shape student experiences at the museum.  
The coalition will collaborate with diverse groups within the student community, sharing and drawing inspiration for new ideas, from which we will develop events, student parties and programs. Meetings take place in-person once a month (with free pizza) and online weekly in an open discussion forum that is always accessible to students. This opportunity is open to undergraduate and graduate students in all majors. Come and share your vision for our future museum! |

Work of Art: Career Workshops for Students in the Arts

| 10 May 2016  
4:10-5:30 pm  
Art Building 125  
UC Davis | *Work of Art* will be presenting the workshop *Interview Like a Rock Star* this May. The series of workshops in *Work of Art* are specifically tailored to students majoring in the arts. Presenters will include Julie McGilvray, M.S., Undergraduate Adviser in the Arts Group Advising Center and Ashley Odell, M.A., Career Adviser in the Internship and Career Center. |

2016 MFA Thesis Preview Exhibition, *The Cocktail Party Effect*

| 13 May-11 June 2016  
Embark Gallery  
San Francisco | *The Cocktail Party Effect* is a preview for the Art Studio MFA Thesis Exhibition. The exhibition of the eight MFA candidates features work in a variety of media including sculpture, photography, time-based media, painting, drawing, print-making, installation, performance, and ceramic sculpture, all motivated by equally varied sets of research questions. The exhibition runs from May 13 through June 11, at the Embark Gallery in San Francisco. Hours are Saturdays only, 12-5 pm, with a reception on May 13 from 5-9 pm.  
*Image: Work in Progress by Jeff Mayry* |
**DEPARTMENT NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Hong Zhang (MFA 2004), Human Hair in Fashion and Art**

20 February-29 May 2016
Centraal Museum
Utrecht, Netherlands

Hong's hair drawing, *Twin Spirits #4*, will be included in a group show which explores human hair in fashion and art.

**Evie Leder, MFA 2009**

Evie was recently selected to become a resident at the Minnesota Street Project in San Francisco. The Minnesota Street Project, founded by entrepreneurs and collectors Deborah and Andy Rappaport, offers affordable and economically sustainable spaces for art galleries, artists, and related nonprofits. Evie is one of over thirty charter tenants. Other residents include: Beth Abrahamson, Miguel Arzabe, Brittany Atkinson, Binta Ayofemi, Elisheva Biernoff, Lisa K. Blatt, Nate Boyce, Val Britton, Rachelle Bussières, James Chronister, Erica Deeman, Anthony Discenza, Arash Fayez, Rebekah Goldstein, Taranee Hermann, Dana Hemenway, Kelly Lynn Jones, Lynn Hensman Leeson, Evie Leder, Tom Loughlin, Chris Lux, Sean McFarland, Klea McKenna, Masako Miyazaki, Calt Molloy, Alison Pechkov, Mitzi Pederson, Rachelle Reichert, Brion Nuda Rosch, Elizabeth Russell, Ron Moultrie Saunders, Jesse Schlesinger, Chris Sollars, Henna Vainio, Catherine Wagner. For more infor-

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**OTHER EVENTS**

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Headlands Center for the Arts Sausalito

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To let us know about upcoming Departmental events or shows, to let us know about your recent accomplishments, or to be added to our mailing list contact either Leah or Lisa at:

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This Month in the Arts will be on hiatus until next Fall. Have a great summer!

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**Art and Art History Summer Classes**

**Art History: Summer Session 1 (20 June - 29 July)**

**AHI 130 Landscape, Nature, Art**
MTW 12:10-1:50: Interpretation of the natural world in the western world 1600-1900, with perspectives on the present; landscape painting, ideology of picturesque and sublime, landscape art and travel, reshaping the land as art; dialogues between art and science; nature as national identity.

**AHI 164 Arts of Japan**
TR 2:10-4:40: From an opening viewpoint at Japan’s dramatic transitional moment to modernity, this course will look backward into its heritage starting from prehistoric origins and reaching full circle at the end of feudalism in 1868. It follows a combined chronological and thematic course—as a materialization of historical, intellectual and spiritual foundations on which Japanese cultural identity is built. The complicated impact of Japanese aesthetics on the West will be a secondary ongoing thread, with one reading and, if time permits, a closing lecture on the cross-cultural impacts upon the arts of East and West.

**Art History: Summer Session 2 (1 August - 9 September)**

**AHI 150 Arts of Subsaharan Africa**
MTW 10:00-11:40: This course examines the arts of Africa and the African diaspora. It seeks to provide an overview of key themes in African art history, as well as to discuss the way in which these arts are integrated with diverse aspects of life. The course covers the archaeological cultures of Africa, as well as the art traditions of both centralized and non-centralized (village or band-based) historic and contemporary societies. We also discuss how African art has been perceived and interpreted by Europeans and Americans.

**AHI 183C Modernism in France**
MTW 2:10-3:50: Development of modern art in France, its social context, and its transnational aspects. Post-Impressionism, Fauvism, Cubism, Expressionism, and Surrealism are considered in relation to secessionist movements, the formation of other artistic groups, new forms of patronage, and new audiences.

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**Art 11 Beginning Printmaking**
MW 9:00-3:00: Introduction to printmaking techniques such as monography, relief, and intaglio. Investigation of personal imagery through use of these techniques.

**Art 103B Intermediate Drawing: Color**
MW 9:00-3:00: Study of drawing composition in color media.

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