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Laguna College of Art & Design and Fairhaven Memorial Park present Alumni and MFA Exhibition and Sale November 12 - 15, 2009

Santa Ana, CA - Laguna College of Art & Design and Fairhaven Memorial Park are pleased to present the fourth annual alumni and graduate student exhibition. The exhibit and special events will be held November 12-15 at the Fairhaven Mausoleum located in the Fairhaven Memorial Park at 1702 Fairhaven Avenue, Santa Ana. Hours are Thursday 6-9pm, Friday 1-8pm, Saturday 1-7pm, and Sunday 1-5pm. Suggested \$5 donation per person.

Fifty-four pieces of realistic and representational artworks by MFA students and alumni of Laguna College of Art & Design will be featured in this juried group installation of fine art and illustration. This year's esteemed panel of jurors includes Director of the California Art Club and owner of Legacy Fine Arts Elaine Adams, museum and gallery curator Chip Tom, and owner of Glass Garage Fine Art Gallery Henry Lien.

Spanning four days, the exhibition opens on November 12 with a reception from 6-9pm where artwork will be viewed by candlelight, as it was in Europe centuries ago. This evening will also feature wine and cheese tasting and a contemplative slide presentation. The exhibition concludes with an artists' reception on November 15 from 3-5pm where guests will enjoy refreshments and live entertainment from Duo Absinthe.

The century old memorial park will present the exhibition in their spectacular Greek Revival Mausoleum built in 1916. The venue is a stone and marble edifice, approximately 20,000 square feet in space and nestled within the park's lush green grove of one hundred year old, twisted Monterey Cypress trees.

With 30 foot ceilings, marbled walls and floors, as well as poetically themed stained glass windows, the cathedral-like quality of this stately monument provides a harmonious and elegant venue for the show.

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Guests viewing artwork within the mausoleum

Lamp, oil on canvas by Carolin Peters

Sarah's Room, by James Galindo

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Laguna College of Art & Design is a private, not-for-profit college where outstanding artist-educators, visual arts programs, state-of-the-art facilities, and year-round exhibitions give fresh vision to Laguna's extraordinary legacy in the visual arts. Founded in 1961, the college educates artists at all stages of their creative careers, offering Bachelor of Fine Arts degrees in Drawing and Painting, Graphic Design, Illustration, Game Art, and Animation, and a Master of Fine Arts degree in painting.