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College of the Deserts' Walter N. Marks Center for the Arts reopens with a special exhibition

Akin: Connections Create Community

September 22 – October 28, 2022

Opening Reception: September 22, 2022, from 5-7 p.m.

Free and Open to the public

Featuring live painting with artist, Michael Angelo H.

Refreshments will be served in the courtyard

The C.O.D. Alumni Association Gallery



As College of the Desert celebrates the importance art in education and community the Walter N. Marks Center for the Arts has invited former alumni, Debra Ann Mumm, Founder and CEO of the CREATE Center for the Arts, a non-profit art organization in Palm Desert, to curate an exhibition featuring artists: Zach JF Boyles, Aaron Fox, Lucia Grossberger, Ming C. Lowe, Brittany North, exhibiting a multitude of approaches and mediums.

Artist Talk with guest curator, *Debra Mum*: October 10th from 4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

The Barbara and Bob Leberman Gallery

Celebrate College of the Desert's connection with local La Quinta art nonprofit Old Town Artisan Studios with an exhibition including two artist educators, *Frank Lemus*, *College of the Desert alumni*, artist and art educator, *Dave Howell* plus the works of two recent College of the Desert student interns, *Tess L. Cranford*, and *Meghan Sorenson*.

The Peggy & Donald Cravens Gallery



Armando Lerma solo exhibition presents a series of paintings fusing past cultural (ancient) civilizations with Pop Culture. Often sending the mundane down a spiritual path, by informing the viewer with references to Pop Culture, mythology, Coachella Valley landscape and Chicano iconography. Lerma elevates mundane objects and their functionality to a place of intrigue. His appropriation of old signage mixed in with original works bends space and time, weaving the past with the present, and creating a multi-dimensional reflection of commercialized brands, spray-painted over, and infused with his visual vocabulary, often transporting his audience.

Artist Talk with *Armando Lerma*: October 6, 2022, from 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Exhibition Hours:

Monday - Thursday
11:00 am - 4:00 pm
Additional hours by appointment only.

Parking:

Free Parking

Information:

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