



VAMA ART GALLERY EXHIBITION

An annual multimedia showcase
of artwork created by our students.

What is the **VAMA Art Gallery Exhibition**?

Our yearly exhibit began over six years ago, when a group of ambitious students came together to build a plan of action – one that could provide real-world experiences to all students. This humble aspiration would launch the legacy of what would become the annual VAMA Art Gallery Exhibition.

Each Spring since its inception, we pull together a collection of artworks created by our students. Then, through a rigorous jury process, we curate a compelling multimedia

experience that can be presented to the community at-large. This is all made possible through a tradition of partnership and collaboration with local gallery spaces.

The VAMA Juried Art Exhibition strives to create opportunities for our students; opportunities for engagement within the community, for empowerment within the workplace, and for manifestation of behaviors that align to the values and vision of RRCC and VAMA.

Find us online and visit our exhibition's webpage, by scanning the QR code to the right.

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The Visual, Audio, and Media Arts **VISION:**

We envision our department as a national and international leader in photography, multimedia graphics & design, videography and journalism education that is recognized for accomplishments of our students' goals, engagement with our community, empowerment in our workplace, and commitment to Red Rocks values.



Averages & Statistics

Exhibitionists of the VAMA Juried Art Exhibit include students of many disciplines: videography, film & digital photography, multimedia graphics & design, simulation & game design, recording arts, journalism, UI/UX design, and high-school students that are concurrently enrolled. Below are the average numbers that our month-long exhibit achieves, yearly:



354

Submissions for jury evaluation



109

Submissions selected to showcase



42

Student-exhibitionists



29

Artworks displayed digitally



80

Artworks displayed via print



1000

Visitors to the exhibition

Other features of the show have included: Books, magazines & other publications, motion graphics, video, product package designs, and interactive media.

Leadership & Contact

Paul D. Weinrauch is the Department Chair of the Visual, Audio, & Media Arts Department at Red Rocks Community College since 2019, and is a passionate corporate and portrait photographer based in Colorado since 2005. Although he continues to operate his photography business, his primary mission in life is to be of service to others.



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The Jury Process

Every year we select jurors within the professional community (from organizations such as ASMP-American Society of Media Photographers, and AIGA - the professional association for design) as well as former VAMA alumni. This allows us to help create connections that can sustain even after our students graduate.

Some former past jurors have included:



JIM R.

RMCAD
Department Chair
& AIGA-Colorado
Board Member

jamesreimanphoto.com



PAUL T.

Corporate
Photographer &
Former ASMP-
Colorado President

altitudearts.com



BRITTA S.

RRCC-VAMA
Alumni & self-
employed industry
professional

bschlagbaum.myportfolio.com



JENNA C.

RRCC-VAMA
Alumni & self-
employed industry
professional

pearlberry.io

Artwork submissions are each evaluated by jurors on several criteria:



Lighting



Creativity



Composition



Color



Contrast



**Overall
Impression**



Aesthetic

Previous Years: **Best of Show**

With new artwork submissions from students each year, our Best of Show award highlights the most outstanding quality media our students can produce. Best in Show is given to students that demonstrates their creative skill, discipline and overall professionalism.



2022 - Vlad Tynor



2020 - Fenix Tangkapanya



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2019 - Catarino Sanchez



2018 - Ben Blafalce



2017 - Scarlett Moody

The Gallery Space



Foothills Art Center
2022 - Graphic Design

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Foothills Art Center
2021 - Photo & Video

Words from the President



“I look at education; what would we be doing without the arts and I think that’s so important in terms of what we feel, what we want to do, what we believe in and I’m so proud of what the students have done.”

— Dr. Michele Haney,
President of RRCC

Student Interviews



"It's a good feeling to be in an art gallery multiple times, especially at Foothills, cause it's so local to everything."

— *Catarino Sanchez, Photography Student*

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"It's my first show, so that makes me feel really proud of myself, it's a huge accomplishment and I feel like I can do more of these."

— *Maddy Swaiston, Graphic Design Student*



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Prior Exhibitors

"I chose Red Rocks because I heard good things about it. My experiences in the classes have been a lot of fun, and my teachers have been very helpful and really encouraging."

— *Thora Smith,
Graphic Design Student*

"I can honestly say I've been blown away by the quality of the education I've received here. The instructors are experienced, they're passionate and they are endlessly supportive of all the students. That's made all the difference for me."

— *Natalie Statter,
Professional Photography Student*

"I ended up taking an industry experience class which introduced me to Lightform and we ended up doing a show here at Foothills Art Center which really oriented the direction I want to go for my career."

— *Darren Rose,
Design & Multimedia Student*

Student Works



2021 - Dylan Thomas
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2021 - Travis Avery
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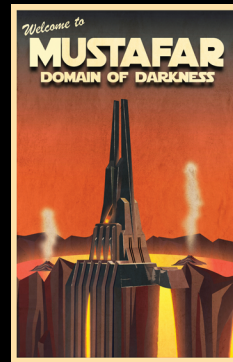
2022 - Jason Bruton
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2020 - Ahnia Volkman



2021 - Mishel Best



2021 - Regina Ayala



2021 - Joe Swavely



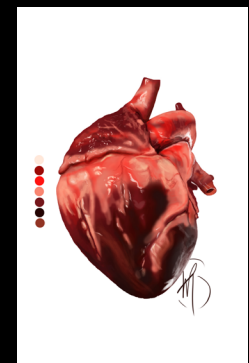
2021 - Jack Bencivenni



2021 - Fenix Tangkapanya



2020 - Willow Rogers



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Student Works



2019 - Marc Hernandez



2020 - Dina Gilmore



2020 - Alex Gladsjo

2020 - Alex Purcell
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