


Cindy Neuschwander's PROOF at Mary Baldwin's Hunt Gallery

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November 9 to December 4, 2009, the exhibition *PROOF: New Work by Cindy Neuschwander*, will be on view at Mary Baldwin's Hunt Gallery. PROOF

In a new series of encaustic paintings — derived from a process that combines wax with pigment to achieve flexible, giving surfaces — the artist seeks to balance a range of visual qualities and processes: stasis and motion, the predetermined and the accidental, addition and subtraction, rough and smooth. Describing her paintings as an “intuitive unfolding,” Neuschwander says the following about her working process: “Rubbed, pigmented, and rubbed again, erased passages can resemble pocked stone or a distant space. Marks drawn with a blade come and go; gestures thin as hair — surprise elements that ask for intimacy and synthesis. What remains is evidence of a desire to lay bare moments of authenticity.”

A resident of Richmond, Virginia, Neuschwander earned her BFA from the University of Texas in 1981, and later continued her education at The School of the Arts at Virginia Commonwealth University where she obtained an MFA in photography in 1987. Since 1986 she has shown her work extensively, exhibiting at venues such as Drake University's Anderson Gallery (Des Moines, Iowa), Ruth Morpeth Gallery (Hopewell, New Jersey), Hodges Taylor Gallery (Charlotte, North Carolina), 1708 Gallery (Richmond), the WPA/Corcoran Gallery (Washington, DC), Allen Street Gallery (Dallas, Texas), and JMU's New Image Gallery, among others. Her work is also in a number of public and private collections, including the Chrysler Museum, the Mint Museum of Art, Phillip Morris Corporation, the Sydney and Francis Lewis Collection, and the Graham Nash Collection, among others. Please visit <http://www.cindyneuschwander.com> (<http://www.cindyneuschwander.com>) for more information about the artist.

A reception will be held for Neuschwander on Monday, November 9, from 4:30-6 p.m. in Hunt Gallery. The public is invited to attend. Hunt Gallery is dedicated to the exhibition of contemporary work in all media by regionally and nationally recognized artists. The Gallery is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. during the College's academic year. Hunt Gallery's schedule for the 2009-2010 academic years can be found online at: go.marybaldwin.edu/arts/huntgallery.php (<http://go.marybaldwin.edu/arts/huntgallery.php>)