

Press Release
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Roy Nydorf: Four Decades

Green Hill Center for NC art will present the first major survey of the work of Roy Nydorf, from April 19-June 10, 2012.

Opening reception Thursday, April 19, 2012 5:30 – 7:30



Self Portrait with Clay Ram, Roy Nydorf

“I believe in art that is intimate, directly connected to human experience and capable of many layers of meaning and interpretation. If the simple image contains a vast complexity while retaining its purity and grace, then I have achieved my purpose.”

-Roy Nydorf

Four Decades, the first major survey of the work of Roy Nydorf constitutes a mid-career retrospective of this beloved Greensboro artist and Guilford College professor whose works figure in the collections of the Hirshhorn Museum, the Smithsonian American Art Museum, the Honolulu Academy and the Weatherspoon Art Museum among others.



Seated Man, Green Background, Roy Nydorf

This exhibition will present Nydorf's investigations and mastery of several mediums, including drawing, printmaking, painting and sculpture. This exhibition will consider Nydorf as not only an artist of multi-faceted technical virtuosity but who has consistently produced work informed by a humanist approach to the subject.



Tobacco Pickers, Roy Nydorf

Viewers will explore Nydorf's themes and imagery as well as the development of his figurative style based upon a rhythmic use of line. The human form, first explored during the artist's formative years in New York, dominates Nydorf's oeuvre, through solitary portraits, groups of tobacco pickers and bathers, and mythological scenes. A large selection of the artist's figurative carvings in relief and in the round will be seen together for the first time.

Roy Nydorf: Four Decades is curated by Edie Carpenter, Director, Curatorial & Artistic Programs of Green Hill Center for NC Art.

***Roy Nydorf: Four Decades* Related Programs**

Lecture on Roy Nydorf by Christopher Benfey

Wednesday May 23, 2012, 5:30-6:30

Professor, author, art critic and poet, Chris Benfey has observed, explored with and written about Roy Nydorf. He will share his observations about Nydorf's four decades of work.

Artist Walk-Through Tour

Sunday May 6 from 2:30-3:30

Join artist Roy Nydorf as he accompanies visitors on a tour of the over 200 works in his exhibition and speaks about his influences and inspiration and the "*sinuous line; sensual tactile surfaces; luminous color; fantasy and whimsy; and intimacy with nature*" which characterize his work. The artist will be available to sign the 36 page color catalog available for sale.

Taste of Tuscany at Green Hill Center

June 3, 2012 from 3:00-5:00 pm

Slide presentation and Tuscan regional specialties tasting with Terry Hammond and Roy Nydorf

Fee: \$12 non-members, \$10 Members

Join us for a visual and culinary voyage to Tuscany to experience the artist's inspirations and adventures through Sienna, Monti-Chianti, Buonconvento, Pieve Sprenna, Saturnia and San Casciano dei Bagni. Presented by Theresa N. (Terry) Hammond, Founding Director & Curator, Guilford College Art Gallery and wife of the artist accompanied by Tuscan specialties prepared by chef Mary Lacklen. To register please call 336-333-7460.