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Building Consensus at Akus Gallery

Willimantic, Conn. –The Julian Akus Gallery at Eastern Connecticut State University will be presenting the exhibition, “**Building Consensus: Visual Arts Faculty Exhibition 2008**” from Aug. 28 through Oct. 9. This group show features the work of Eastern full-time and adjunct Visual Arts faculty. There will be a reception with the artists on Sept. 4 from 5–7 p.m.

The work of these 21 artists demonstrates great diversity, with faculty demonstrating that they are at the forefront of artistic technique in a number of innovative fields. They are well-versed in time-honored traditional media as well. Computer animation, digital design, oil on linen, performance art, welded steel, lithography, and jewelry design are among the wide variety of media embraced by these artists.

“From materials as disparate as steel and digital technology and styles as distinct as harsh realism and lyrical abstraction, these artists share a commitment to diverse artistic materials, processes, and perspectives,” said Professor Anne Dawson, chair of the Visual Arts Department. “Eastern’s students benefit from this diversity as they undertake courses in all of the department’s concentrations. Our students are encouraged to identify and define their own creative visions, inspired by the wide differences of expression they encounter among their art professors.”

The gallery is located in the lower level of Shafer Hall at the corner of Windham and Valley Streets in Willimantic. Parking is available on both cross streets. The gallery is fully accessible. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays; 1 to 7 p.m. on Thursday; and 2 to 5 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The gallery is closed Mondays and Fridays. For more information regarding this and other exhibitions at Akus Gallery, please call the Akus Gallery at (860) 465-4659 or visit the web site: <http://www.easternct.edu/depts/akus>

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