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Talented Teachers

CF FACULTY EXHIBITION
JANUARY 10-FEBRUARY 7
WEBBER CENTER GALLERY, OCALA

This biannual exhibit showcases the talents and techniques of the visual arts department faculty at the College of Central Florida. The opening reception, which is free and open to the public, will be Thursday, January 10 from 4:30-6:30pm.

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This art exhibition is sure to introduce you to artists from around the campus and community. We asked participant and Head of the Visual Arts Department Tyrus Clutter a few questions about the upcoming show.

How did you decide to become an artist?

I never thought I was that interested in art while I was growing up, though looking back, I was always working on creative projects. By the time I was in high school, I realized that, while I was an excellent student, art was the one thing that really made me happy. Then, I pursued it in college and graduate school.

What inspires your artwork?

Most of my work has to do with my personal faith. It is not some form of Sunday School biblical narrative artwork, however. I tend to wrestle with deeper questions that confront all of us, and the work usually brings forth even more questions rather than answering them. Also, much of my

work is a combination of text and imagery merging into each other. I find exploring how the written word and visual images are linked to be endlessly fascinating.

What's your favorite thing about working with the CF Visual Arts Department?

I have outstanding colleagues in the Visual and Performing Arts Department. It is great to have co-workers who are also your friends. I also enjoy working with students who study every discipline on our campus. Many people enjoy creating art on the side but fear taking it up as full-time work. These students are able to be creative in my classes and think about their lives and studies in new, unexpected ways.