New Miller Art Gallery season brings South Mississippi colors to campus.

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Art Gallery opens season with works by Chatham Kemp

Paintings reflect south Mississippi flavor

From paintings to mixed media, Meridian Community College’s Miller Art Gallery will have something for everyone with its upcoming 2016-2017 season.

Kicking off the first of the five-show schedule is an exhibit of paintings by William Carey University Professor of Art Chatham Meade Kemp. The opening reception is Tuesday, Aug. 30, from 5-6 p.m. in the Miller Art Gallery.

From early on in life, Kemp’s life was centered on making art, traveling to museums and interacting with arts. She is the daughter of James W. Meade who has been an art faculty member at the University of Southern Mississippi for more than 40 years and Myra Meade who taught art and ceramics to high school students and elementary school students in addition to being a landscape painter. Kemp received her master of fine arts degree in painting from Indiana University in Bloomington and her bachelor of arts degree from USM.

Teaching and artistic production offer a way to give back to her native south Mississippi, Kemp said. In 2014, Kemp was awarded an artist fellowship grant by the Mississippi Arts Commission and her paintings were also selected to be a part of the prestigious Mississippi Invitational at the Mississippi Museum of Art by guest juror Carla Hanzal. Her work has recently been shown at Browns Fine Art Gallery in Jackson, Southside Gallery in Oxford, the New Gallery of Modern Art in Charlotte and Contemporain Gallery in Baton Rouge.

“My paintings celebrate my love of making discoveries with the expressive power of color and the physical process of layering paint on canvas,” said Kemp. “Each work walks a line between representation and abstraction. Certainly, they suggest natural forms such as plants, trees and flowers, not to mention weather patterns and other natural world references. Yet, first, they are also concrete forms where I attempt to organize and harness the energies of color, shape, light, marks and patterns,” she said.

She noted that fundamental to her paintings is the South Mississippi landscape that she calls home. “It is my hope that the paintings are like a long walk in this environment where one is, at times, overwhelmed by the sensations of light and color, but it is the overall impact of the experience that one remembers,” Kemp said.

The show will be on display in the Miller Art Gallery, located in the College’s Fine Arts Center, through Sept. 29. The gallery is open Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, contact John Marshall, MCC art instructor, at 601-484-8647.
Catch them while you can – The College’s Welding and Cutting Technology Program students are creating butterfly yard art for sale. Three different sizes, small (approximately eight inches across the wingspan); medium (10 inches across the wingspan) and large (12 inches across the wingspan). Costs are $15, $20 and $25 each, respectively. Proceeds will be earmarked for student welding club that will help students to attend Skills USA competition and other activities. For more information, contact Shane Williams, program coordinator, at extension 602 or email swilli46@meridiancc.edu

Student athletes, student volunteers

MCC’s tennis, baseball, and golf team members went the extra mile to help the Louisiana flood victims by collecting and sending items to help in the recovery efforts.

The teams were assisted in its efforts by members of the East Philadelphia Baptist Church who will be taking the items to Louisiana. Former MCC tennis star Rusty Parsons, who is now the pastor of East Philadelphia Baptist Church, is spearheading the trip to Louisiana to distribute the items collected by the MCC athletes.

Bailey Hargrave, an MCC baseball sophomore, led the efforts among the athletes to collect the items that will be sent to the flood victims. Assisting were coaches Wanda McPhail (tennis), Dillon Sudduth (baseball) and Ronnie Key (golf).

Nathan Hollis (tennis), left; Bailey Hargrave (baseball), Rusty Parsons, pastor East Philadelphia Baptist Church, Zach Butler, student ministry intern at East Philadelphia Baptist Church, Dillon Sudduth, (baseball coach), Coleman Gilder, (baseball) get ready to load supplies for Louisiana flood victims.
Save the date, make a date for My College Cares
Campus Life has taken on My College Cares for 2016 and MC-Cers are asked to help. How? Follow these steps:
Step 1: Save the Date for My College Cares: Tuesday, Oct. 25.
Step 2: Serve as a team captain. There is a Team Captain Responsibilities PowerPoint presentation by Patrick Lovette, Campus Life coordinator, available. Once Lovette confirms your location and team captain role, you will be able to contact your location to get details on when/where to be and what your team of volunteers will be doing.
New for this year:
• All service locations will be led by an MCC faculty or staff member.
• All MCC students will sign up online to serve as a part of their group. The link for students to sign up will be available in Canvas on Sept. 16.
• Wear something MCC for My College Cares. It can be an MCC logo T-shirt, orientation T-shirt, jersey. New employees can check with Marie Roberts, director of recruiting and campus life, for the availability of previous year’s My College Cares T-shirts.
Questions? Contact Lovette at mycollegecares@meridiancc.edu.

Haven training program available
The annual training program, Haven for Faculty and Staff, is available online via Eaglenet, said Soraya Welden, dean of student services.

Haven provides our employees with a comprehensive sexual assault training program designed to address issues of sexual assault, sexual harassment, dating violence, domestic violence, stalking, consent, bystander intervention, and risk awareness. All employees should complete the training by logging in to Eaglenet, select the Faculty/Staff tab and the training link is in the top right box.

For more information, contact Welden at extension 628 or email swelden@meridiancc.edu

Still time to sign up for MCCFSA
There’s still time to sign up for Meridian Community College Faculty Staff Association (MCCFSA) and the dues are $25 which can be paid by check, cash, or payroll deduction for either September or October.

The MCCFSA offers professional development and student scholarships, host several faculty and staff gatherings and give monetary gifts to retiring faculty and staff. The group also serves as a voice for lobbying legislators for additional funding for community colleges.

For additional information, contact any of the board members: Pam Thompson, president; Sheila Johnson, secretary; Chandler Chance, treasurer; Constance Bradley, textbook collector; Joshua Maeda, Brandi Pickett, Pam Baranello, Tonya Crenshaw, board members; and Win Maxey-Shumate, member at large.

Mailroom hours
Kandi Pitts, mailroom clerk, reminds MCCers the hours of the campus mailroom are Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Friday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Need Physical Plant?
If Physical Plant is needed for any after-hour issues, (HVAC, Housing, Emergency), please call Campus Police Office and they will page the on-call person.

For more information, contact Adam Foreman, director of physical plant, at extension 615.
Reminders for safety and security

Campus Police Chief Shane Williams asks to report any suspicious activity and be proactive regarding safety.

Williams said, “I would like to remind everyone, ‘if you see something, say something.’ Please do not hesitate to contact me or anyone in our department with any suspicious activity. Our office number is 601-484-8620. Our priority cell phone number is 601-938-0072. An officer has that phone 24 hours a day, seven days a week and 365 days a year.

“If you unlock a room, building, or gate, please either lock it back or call Campus Police to lock it. If you have a problem with a door not being unlocked when it is supposed to be or unlocked when it should be locked, please contact us the first time it happens so we can see what the problem is.

“Every classroom is equipped with a physical panic button. In case of an emergency regarding a violent or potentially violent situation, press and hold the button for two seconds. Within a few seconds an alarm is sent to every officer on duty to report to your location. Please find the button in the room you are teaching in. If you can’t find it, please let us know, and we will be glad to show you where it is.

“Please obey all traffic rules and regulations while on campus.

“Please take a moment and review our information on the Campus Police page located in the Meridian Community College website: http://www.mcc.cc.ms.us/academic-affairs/campus-police/index,” he added.

Copy that

MCC’s Duplication Services is ready to serve. Faculty and staff members must take each job to the Duplication department, located in the lower level of the L.O. Todd Library, and complete an instructional form for duplication services. The form lists number of copies needed, if the copies should be duplexed, or if high security is required. For your convenience, the form is now on Eaglenet on the Faculty/Staff page.

Student workers may not take material to or retrieve material from Duplication.

Faculty who pick up a colleague’s work must sign the register indicating whose material they are retrieving.

Priority is given to those who wish to wait for completion of the job. High-speed copiers are used to complete work orders quickly. However, during the beginning and ending of each semester, when the work load is high, duplication cannot guarantee a quick turnaround. It is recommended you bring jobs a few days in advance during the peak times of the year.

Duplication hours are Monday through Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Questions? Contact Rita McClure, director of library services, at extension 761.
Voter Registration Drive!

Exercise Your Rights!

September 6th
Register in these locations:
Ivy Hall, Riley Health Building, ABE/ GED Building, Fitness Center,
David Quave Building, Smith Hall, Hardin Hall, Cafeteria

For more information, contact:
Barbara Jones: 601-484-8804

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Weekly Schedule Aug 29–Sept 4

Monday
- Sweet Pea 0800 AM - 0800 PM, Tommy E. Dulaney Center
- MCC’s Blood Drive 0900 AM - 0300 PM, Ivy Hall Parking Lot
- Tribal Scholarship Program 0930 AM - 0200 PM, Ivy Hall 121
- Entrance Counseling Session 1000 AM - 0300 PM, Todd Library CASTEEL
- Lifetime Quest Bingo 0200 PM - 0400 PM, Webb Hall DULANEY
- BSU Night of Worship 0600 PM - 0930 PM, Chapel SANCTUARY

Tuesday
- HIT Program’s Freshmen Breakfast 0800 AM - 1000 AM, G.V. Sonny Montgomery BANOTRM
- Sweet Pea 0800 AM - 0800 PM, Tommy E. Dulaney Center
- MCC’s Blood Drive 0900 AM - 0300 PM, Ivy Hall Parking Lot
- Insurance Exam 1100 AM - 0300 PM, Chapel AR
- Art Exhibit & Reception (Chatham Kemp’s Paintings) 0500 PM - 0600 PM, Ivy Hall 1123

Wednesday
- Sweet Pea 0800 AM - 0800 PM, Tommy E. Dulaney Center
- Entrance Counseling Session 0900 AM - 1100 AM, Todd Library CASTEEL
- BSU Noon Day Lunch 1000 AM - 0130 PM, Chapel AR
- Ivy League Tryouts 0100 PM - 0400 PM, Todd Library CASTEEL
- Insurance Exam 1100 AM - 0300 PM, Chapel AR
- Sweet Pea 0800 AM - 0800 PM, Tommy E. Dulaney Center
- Art Exhibit & Reception (Chatham Kemp’s Paintings) 0500 PM - 0600 PM, Ivy Hall 1123

Thursday
- Sweet Pea 0800 AM - 0800 PM, Tommy E. Dulaney Center
- Nursing 1110 0800 AM - 1200 PM, Webb Hall ROSENB
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- Nursing 2110 B 0800 AM - 0200 PM, Chapel AR
- Sweet Pea 0800 AM - 0800 PM, Tommy E. Dulaney Center
- “Miss MCC” Interest Meeting 1200 PM - 0300 PM, Quave Student Union
- “FCA Reload” Event 0700 PM - 0900 PM, Quave Student Union

Friday
- Sweet Pea 0800 AM - 0800 PM, Tommy E. Dulaney Center
- Nursing 2110 E/F Accu-Check Training 1200 PM - 0300 PM, Webb Hall DULANEY
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Saturday
- Sweet Pea 0800 AM - 0800 PM, Tommy E. Dulaney Center

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CE Classes

Monday
- CISCO CCENT 0500 PM - 0900 PM Webb Hall 128
- HVAC I Part 1 0600 PM - 0900 PM Reed Hall 100

Tuesday
- BALLEY 0430 PM - 0630 PM Fitness Center STU
- Phlebotomy-Orientation 0450 PM - 0700 PM Webb Hall ROSENB
- Basic Welding 0500 PM - 0900 PM Structural Steel Welding Bldg
- Cabinetry & Woodworking 0600 PM - 0900 PM Reed Hall 132
- Fidelity Tech-System Maint (A+) 0600 PM - 1000 PM Webb Hall
- HVAC II Part 1 0600 PM - 0900 PM Reed Hall 100
- MPSA Reserve Law 0600 PM - 1000 PM Webb Hall GSR

Wednesday
- MIBEST Pers and Prof Dev 0100 PM - 0400 PM Ralph E. Young Adult Basic Ed
- CISCO CCENT 0500 PM - 0900 PM Webb Hall 128

Thursday
- BALLEY 0430 PM - 0630 PM Fitness Center STU
- MPSA Reserve Law 0600 PM - 1000 PM Webb Hall GSR
- BALLEY with Pointe 0640 PM - 0730 PM Fitness Center STU

Happy Birthday

August 30
- Wanda Jenkins

August 31
- Alison Henderson
- Adam Hawkins
- Vanessa Norman

Sept. 3
- Lisa Shannon
- Scott Elliott

Sept. 4
- Lucy Ferguson
- Stanley Bishop
- Tiffany Hickman

Sept. 5
- Michael Boles
- Lynne Anderson
- Darlene Mayatt

Sept. 6
- Latonia Conner

Sept. 7
- Kristy Ethridge

Sept. 8
- Bethany Files

Sept. 9
- Deanna Smith
- Chris Kelly