

Elisabeth Condon Comes to Memphis College of Art

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Low Country by Elisabeth Condon

Visiting Artist Elisabeth Condon Comes to Memphis College of Art

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—Painter Elisabeth Condon is coming to Memphis College of Art on Oct. 11 as part of the college's ongoing Visiting Artist Lecture Series. Condon's lecture, which is free and open to the public, will take place at 7 p.m. in the Callicott Auditorium (Rust Hall, Overton Park).

Condon was born in Los Angeles and educated at University of California, San Diego, University of California, Los Angeles, Otis Art Institute of Parsons School of Design and School of The Art Institute of Chicago. Currently associate professor of Painting and Drawing at the University of South Florida, Tampa, Condon is the recipient of a Pollock Krasner Foundation Grant and Florida Individual Artist Fellowship. An enthusiastic traveler, Condon has attended the artist residencies Yaddo, Fountainhead, Grand Canyon Artist-in-Residence Program and Red Gate International Artist Residency, Beijing. Recent exhibition venues include the National Museum of Art, Beijing; the Pulse Art Fair, Miami and 1285 Avenue of the Americas Art Gallery, New York. Condon's work is represented by Dorsch Gallery, Miami and Lesley Heller Workspace, New York.

“The paintings begin by pouring transparent color, combining Chinese ‘splashed ink’ techniques and postwar abstraction’s social and historical gestures within the present-day metaphors of spill, explosion and accident,” said Condon in a statement about a series she will discuss in her lecture. “To make sense of, and thus recover, the contingent shapes that result from the pours, I reintegrate sketchbook drawings, photos from my travels and snippets of Chinese scrolls to navigate the complex landscape of material and color. Traversing gesture and image as equivalents, my paintings conjure spaces in which Yuan Dynasty scrolls and the Flintstones collaborate; a landscape that, like Chinese scrolls, moves through the whole of existence within a single frame.”

For more information on the artist and her work, visit elisabethcondon.com.

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