

# master of fine arts

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thesis exhibition 2016

School of Visual & Performing Arts  
Western Connecticut State University

## 2016 Thesis Exhibitions

### **The Gallery at the Visual & Performing Arts Center**

March 31 – April 11

43 Lake Avenue Extension, 2nd Floor  
Danbury, Connecticut

OPENING RECEPTION:  
Thursday, March 31, 5 – 7 p.m.

GALLERY HOURS:  
Mon – Thurs, Noon – 4 p.m.  
Sat – Sun, 1 – 4 p.m.

### **Blue Mountain Gallery**

June 21 – July 9

530 West 25 Street, 4th Floor  
New York, New York

OPENING RECEPTION:  
Thursday, June 23, 5 – 8 p.m.

GALLERY HOURS:  
Tues – Sat, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

For more information about the exhibitions  
or the MFA program, call (203) 837-8403  
or visit [wcsu.edu/art/mfa](http://wcsu.edu/art/mfa).

The School of Visual &  
Performing Arts at Western  
Connecticut State University  
is pleased to announce its  
candidates for the 2016  
Master of Fine Arts degree

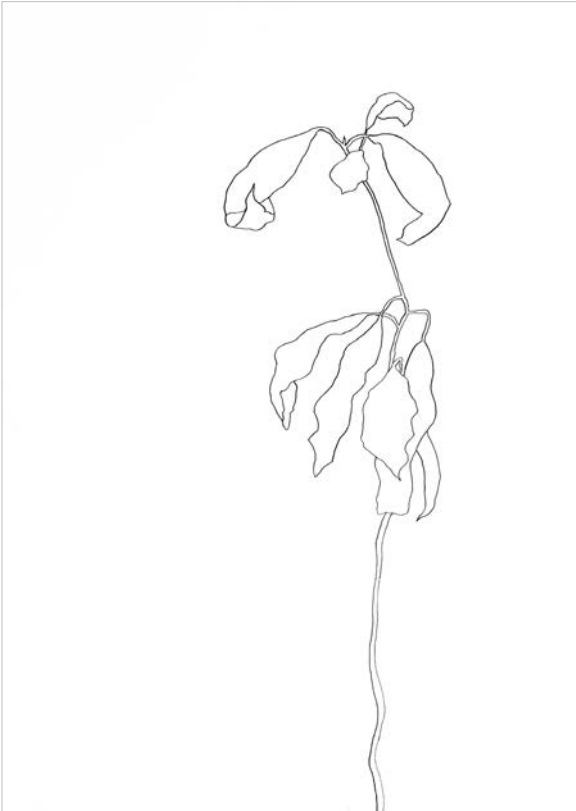
**Meghan Gargano Balliett**  
**Charles H. Hollinger**  
**Lauren Elise Reeves**

The MFA Thesis Exhibition is the summation of two years of intensive, creative study and extensive interaction with resident faculty and visiting artists.

Students select a concentration in painting, illustration, or interdisciplinary visual art. They also engage in workshops, independent research, teaching assistantships and professional internships.



- ④ *Untitled 1* | lithographic crayon on paper, 30 1/4" x 22"
- ⑤ *Avocado Plant* | graphite on paper, 27 1/2" x 19 1/2"



Meghan Gargano Balliett  
BA, Liberal Studies, Lesley University



- ④ *Untitled #3* | oil on canvas, 13" x 10 1/2"
- ⑤ *Untitled #1* | oil on canvas, 44" x 50"



Charles H. Hollinger  
BA, Fine Arts; BA, Government, St. Lawrence University



🌀 *Forging Light* | mixed media, 11" x 8 1/2"

🌀 *Minnie's New Mission* | mixed media, 24" x 12"





Lauren Elise Reeves  
BS, Computing, Andrews University

## Visiting Artists & Lecturers

Daniel Adel  
Eric Aho \*\*  
Adele Alsop  
Emma Amos \*\*  
Vincent Arcilesi  
John Arthur  
William Bailey \*\*  
Scott Bakal  
Robert Berlind \*\*  
Jake Berthot \* \*\*  
Robert Birmelin  
Roger Boyce  
Tom Burckhardt  
Chris Buzelli  
Charles Cajori \*  
Paul Calle  
Joan Chiverton  
Susanna Coffey \*\*  
David Cohen  
Raul Colón  
Kinuko Craft  
Robert Crawford  
Bob Crofut  
John Cuneo  
Fielding Dawson \*  
Janet DeCarlo  
Vincent Desiderio  
Grace Devito  
Ray DiCapua  
Lois Dodd \*\*  
Bruce Dorfman  
Daniel Dos Santos  
Fritz Drury  
Randall Enos  
Constance Evans  
Alan Feltus  
Janet Fish \*\*  
L. Everett-Fisher  
Audrey Flack \*\*  
Andrew Forge \* \*\*  
Connie Fox \*\*  
Betsy Garand  
Brenda Garand  
Michael Garland  
Charlie Gehm \*  
Shelia Geoffrion  
Robert Giusti  
Judy Glantzman  
Glenn Goldberg  
Jane Goodall  
John Goodrich  
James Grashow  
Norman Green  
Barbara Grossman  
James Gurney  
Richard Haas \*\*  
Nancy Hagin  
Steven Harvey \*\*  
Julie Heffernan \*\*  
Mark Hess  
N. Charkow-Hollander  
Eric Holzman  
Yvonne Jacqueline \*\*  
Elisa Jensen  
David Johnson  
Victor Juhasz  
Wolf Kahn  
Aya Kakeda  
Roger Kastel  
Ken Kewley  
Tom Kidd  
Don Kimes  
Richard Klein  
Stanley Lewis \*\*  
Ying Li  
Edward Little  
Lynette Lombard  
Mathew Lopas  
Dennis Lyall  
Ross MacDonald  
Fred Mason  
James McGarrell  
Ruth Miller \*\*  
John Moore \*\*  
Howard Munz  
Matt Murphy  
Graham Nickson \*\*  
Adam Niklewicz

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\*\* Weir Farm Art Center co-sponsored lecture

Tim O'Brien  
Hugh O'Donnell  
R. Andrew Parker  
Charles Parness  
Jim Peters  
Stephanie Pierce  
Jerry Pinkney  
Anna Poor  
Walt Reed  
Joseph Salerno  
Jennifer Samet \*\*  
Zina Saunders  
T. Lanigan-Schmidt \*\*  
Amber Scoon  
Heather Scott  
Susan Shatter  
Yuko Shimizu  
Paul Smith  
Gene Sparkman  
Don Spaulding  
Nancy Stahl  
Kyle Staver  
Clintel Steed  
Bill Sullivan\*  
Altoon Sultan  
Andrea Sulzer  
Lynn Sweat  
Bill Thomson  
Cathleen Toelke  
Grier Torrence  
Lee Tribe  
Selina Trieff \* \*\*  
Ed Tuttle  
Audrey Ushenko  
Victoria Vebell  
Raymond Verdaguer  
John Wallace \*  
Susan Jane Walp \*\*  
James Warhola  
Ellen Weinstein  
Michael Whelan  
Judy York







## MFA Program Faculty

**Catherine Vanaria, Chair, Department of Art**  
MA, Savannah College of Art & Design;  
MFA, Art Institute of Boston

**Darby Cardonsky, MFA Coordinator**  
MA, Hunter College

**Riley Brewster**  
MFA, Yale University

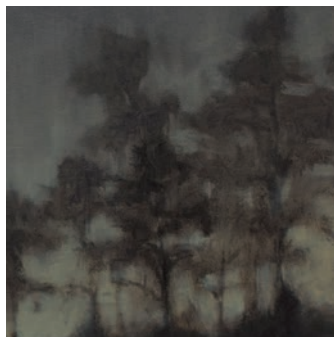
**Christine Hartman**  
MFA, Brooklyn College

**Sabrina Marques**  
MFA, Yale University

**Marjorie Portnow**  
MFA, Brooklyn College

**Leslie Cober-Gentry**  
MFA, University of Hartford

**Emeritus Resident Faculty**  
Abe Echevarria  
Margaret Grimes





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