

"David Kiddie: Ceramic Sculpture" currently on exhibit at CI

Camarillo, CA. Sept. 2, 2010 - The Art Program at California State University Channel Islands (CI) announces "David Kiddie: Ceramic Sculpture" currently on exhibit through September 24 in the Art Gallery in Napa Hall, CSU Channel Islands (CI) campus. A public reception for the artist will be held Thursday, September 23 from 6 to 8 p.m.

The ordinary yet intangible becomes physical and extraordinary in recent ceramic sculpture by David Kiddie. The work is an outcome of his interest in interpreting the ordered structure of biological cellular elements seen only in the microscopic realm. Through a microscope, simple formed organisms such as bacteria and viruses can be seen in the act of mitosis and clustering as they build larger patterned masses.

On a macro scale, Kiddie clusters multiples of basic forms that inform his exploration of structural possibilities. The resultant clustered structures imply conceptual underpinnings related to chaos theory, offense, defense and infiltration. As photographs of cell clusters are color enhanced for clarity, Kiddie embellishes his work with many colored layers and drippings of viscous glass bolstering the notion that these things are foreigners in the world of human dimension.

David Kiddie's work is included in national and international collections and exhibited in numerous galleries and museums including the American Museum of Ceramic Art, Orange County Museum of Art, Cal Poly Pomona University and Western Project in Culver City. He holds an MFA from Claremont Graduate University and currently resides in Orange, California. He is an Assistant Professor of Art at Chapman University.

CSU Channel Islands is located at One University Drive, Camarillo and the exhibit is open Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For additional information, contact the CI Art Program at 805-437-8570, Email: art@csuci.edu or visit the web site: http://art.csuci.edu/gallery.

Limited parking is available on campus. A daily permit is \$6. Free parking is available at the Camarillo Metrolink Station/Lewis Road parking lot in Camarillo with bus service to and from the campus. Riders should board the VISTA Bus to the campus; the fare is \$1 each way. Buses arrive and depart from the Camarillo Metrolink Station every 30 minutes from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday. For exact times, check the schedule at http://www.goventura.org

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