

## CSUCI To Host CSU Media Arts Festival Nov. 2-4

Camarillo, Calif., Nov. 1, 2007-California State University Channel Islands will host the CSU Media Arts Festival beginning Friday, Nov. 2 through Sunday, Nov. 4. This is the sixth consecutive year that CSUCI has hosted the festival.

The annual festival offers students from within the California State University system an opportunity to present their film, video, and interactive media work for critical review. Many local industry professionals will participate in seminars, workshops, and judging for an awards ceremony.

Also part of this event is presentation of the Outstanding Faculty Rosebud Award. This year's winner is Professor Ron Compesi from the San Francisco State University Broadcast and Electronic Communication Arts Department. Compesi also is currently serving as Interim Dean for the College of Creative Arts.

There are four CSUCI art students who have been nominated for awards in the interactive media and animation categories. In the interactive media category CSUCI has more past wins and nominations than any other university in the CSU system. Nominated in the interactive media category is Jamey Cobb for the <a href="https://www.jameycobb.com">www.jameycobb.com</a> Web site; Rebecca McFarland for the <a href="https://www.rebeccamcfarland.com">www.rebeccamcfarland.com</a> Web site; and Muir Freeland for the <a href="https://www.restlesswinter.com">www.restlesswinter.com</a> Web site. Chris Anderson was nominated for his Flash Animation "The Painter" in the animation category and it can be viewed at <a href="https://www.anexisdesigns.com">www.anexisdesigns.com</a>.

Winning students will receive cash prizes as well as the Rosebud Award for the top entry in each of the categories.

Screenings of CSU student works will begin at 6 p.m., Friday, Nov. 2 in Malibu Hall 100 on the CSUCI campus. The awards ceremony, which will honor the winning students and Professor Compesi, will be held at 7 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 3 in Malibu Hall 140. Both events are free and open to the public. Seminars are open to CSU students only, who may register online at <a href="https://www.mediaartsfestival.org">www.mediaartsfestival.org</a>.

Parking on campus for the Media Arts Festival is free.

Industry sponsors include DreamWorks, Warner Brothers Studios, From the Heart Productions, the Entertainment Industry Development Corporation, Modern Videofilm, and the International Cinematographers Guild.

CSU Summer Arts established the Media Arts Festival in 1991 to give talented students studying film, video, and new media within the 23-campus California State University

system an opportunity to present their work for critical review. In 2000, the Media Arts Festival expanded its mission to include helping students of the CSU bridge the gap between student and working professional. Also in 2000, the Festival began recognizing the outstanding faculty of the CSU with a Rosebud Award for service to the students of the CSU and noteworthy professional accomplishment

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