

## HCC hosting virtual faculty art show

HOLYOKE – The Taber Art Gallery at Holyoke Community College is presenting a virtual exhibition of original art by members of the college's Visual Art faculty.

The 2021 HCC Visual Art Faculty Exhibition can be viewed online now through the end of the Spring 2021 semester.

"Holyoke Community College is fortunate to have a rich variety of highly creative and dedicated visual art faculty members," said Amy Johnquest, Taber Gallery coordinator. "While we look forward to a time when we can once again safely exhibit on campus, we hope this fabulous selection of work will whet people's appetites for the live and in-person faculty show we're planning for the Taber Gallery in 2022."

Contributing faculty members include:

• Alix Hegeler (painting, print-making)

- Benj Gleeksman (graphics)
- Bill Devine (drawing)
- Christopher Willingham (drawing)
- Cynthia Ludlam (drawing, 3D design)
- Douglas Breault (drawing, 2D design)
- Felice Caivano (3D design)
- Joe Saphire (digital studio, photography)
- John Calhoun (2D design, drawing)
- Lahri Bond (illustration, 2D design)
- Margie Rothermich (2D and 3D design, drawing, ceramics, sculpture)
- Tara Conant (photography)
- Vance Chatel (graphics).

The art show can be viewed at [hcc.edu/taber-faculty21](http://hcc.edu/taber-faculty21)

The virtual exhibition is arranged by first name alphabetically and features up to five selections from each contributing full- and part-time HCC faculty mem-

ber.

The Taber Gallery made its first foray into virtual exhibitions last spring with its 2020 Student Art Exhibition, which can still be viewed online at: <https://2020hcc-studentartexhibition.blogspot.com/>

"The arts are incredibly important during this strange time of social distancing," Johnquest said. "Art can act as a transport to bring you beyond the walls of confinement. Art can be a conduit to push you to think beyond your thinking. Art can provide comfort and inspire creativity. It can bring us together when we must remain physically apart. Although our campus has been shut down, the Taber Gallery is fortunate to be able to continue exhibitions online. We look forward to a future when we can safely reopen our physical space. Till then, enjoy these virtual galleries."

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