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Crowder Art Show Features Award Winning Work

Neosho, MO – Crowder College's Longwell Museum will host an art exhibit now through February 4 for award winning Kristine Allphin. The museum, which is located inside the Elsie Plaster Community Center on the Neosho campus is open Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm. The museum will be closed Monday, January 18.

Allphin is an award winning artist. Her experience and education in illustration and graphic design bring an original style, sensitivity and craftsmanship to her batik work. Batik is an ancient craft that utilizes wax resists and colored dye. Her work is created on both paper and muslin textile. Kristine's work has been included in many solo exhibitions including Bone Creek Museum of Agrarian Art Crane Trust Center and juried group exhibitions. She has won numerous awards. She has been featured in Nebraska Life Magazine and Nebraska Arts and Humanities. She was recently honored with the Nebraska Arts Council's Fred Simon Exhibit which is highly juried award and given to eight significant Nebraska artists every year. Her upcoming exhibits include a solo exhibition at the Stuhr Museum and the Museum of Nebraska Art Spring Gala exhibit featuring notable Nebraska artists. She is featured article in the February issue of Western Art and Architecture in Magazine Illumination section as an artist to watch.

Allphin and her husband live in Hastings, Nebraska. They are raising four boys, two Golden Retrievers and several hermit crabs.

Her work can be found in museum, private and corporate collection art installations. She is represented by Anderson Obrien Gallery in Omaha, Nebraska and Bartenbach's Gallery in Grand Island, Nebraska. Visit her website at <u>KristineAllphin.com</u>.

For more information about exhibits at the Longwell Museum call 417-455-5470.

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