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ARTIST LINDA WEINTRAUB TO VISIT UM DEC. 6

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A lecture on "Avant Guardians: Ecology and Art at the Cultural Frontier" by Linda Weintraub will take place at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6, at The University of Montana.

The discussion can be heard in Social Sciences Building Room 356. Her lecture includes a PowerPoint presentation. Weintraub's visit – paid for by the Jim and Jane Dew Visiting Artist Fund – is free and open to the public. She also will visit University art classes and meet with students and staff.

Weintraub now studies eco artists – artists who work with recyclable materials and the environment. This craft often involves creating temporary pieces made with materials such as sticks, mud and pop bottles. Because of its outdoor nature, eco art is not sellable.

An artist, art historian, curator, consultant and author, Weintraub served at Oberlin College as a Henry R. Luce Professor of Emerging Arts from 2002 to 2003. She is the author of several books, including "In the Making: Creative Opinions for Contemporary Artists," and is working on two others. She also serves as a contributor to the art journal Tema Celeste.

For more information on Weintraub's visit, call Valerie Hedquist at 243-4607.

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