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### ART AND PLACE SYMPOSIUM AT UM NEXT WEEK

### MISSOULA -

A two-day symposium about the relationship between art and place will be held at The University of Montana on Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 30-Oct. 1.

"Site Symposium: Art and Place" will include panel discussions, readings, lectures and a site-specific concert. All events are free and open to the public.

Presenters will include William Kittredge, UM Regents Professor of English and Creative Writing; Richard Andrews, president of the Skystone Foundation; Erin Hogan, director of public affairs at the Art Institute; Jock Reynolds, the Henry J. Heinz II director of the Yale University Art Gallery; Patrick Zentz, an artist who creates sculptures out of found materials; and Cheryl Leonard, an artist and composer who makes instruments out of found objects.

All Tuesday events will take place in the University Center Theater, located on the third floor of the building. The symposium schedule is:

Tuesday, Sept. 30

- 1:30-1:45 p.m. Introduction, MaryAnn Bonjorni, UM associate professor of art.
- 1:45-2:10 p.m. Reading, "What's Our Story," by Kittredge.

- 2:10-3:30 p.m. Lecture, "Time for Land Art: A Tour Through Monumental Art of the American West with Some Thoughts on Duration," by Hogan.
- 3:10-4 p.m. Lecture, "Art from Earth and Sky: Maya Lynn and James Turrell," by Andrews.
- 4:10-5 p.m. Lecture, "Contemporary Photographers of the Western Landscape: Robert Adams, Emmet Gowin, Mark Ruwedel," and lecture "Sol Lewitt; A Site Specific Wall Drawing," by Reynolds.
- 5:10-6 p.m. Lecture, "Space Fiction," by Zentz.

Wednesday, Oct. 1

- 12:10-1:30 p.m. Roundtable discussion with Andrews, Hogan, Reynolds and Zentz, moderated by Brad Allen, assistant professor of art, and Bonjorni, Fine Arts Room 401.
- 7-8 p.m. "Strata," site specific concert, Leonard, Gallery of Visual Arts, Social Science Building.

The symposium is sponsored by the UM Department of Art, UM School of Fine Arts, the Jim and Jane Dew Visiting Artist Fund, the Gilbert A. Milkin Gift, UM Starving Sculpture and Ceramic Students, and the Mountain Computer Music Festival.

For more information call the Department of Art at 243-4181 or visit the department's blog at http://umartdepartment.wordpress.com.

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