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THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY FACULTY CLUB

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The Merge of Convergence

Abstract Paintings by Todd Camp

September 5, 2017 – October 27, 2017

Todd Camp, artist and arts administrator at the Columbus Cultural Arts Center, will present a collection of new works at The Ohio State University Faculty Club from September 5, 2017 through October 27, 2017. The solo exhibition of abstract paintings is titled "The Merge of Convergence." An opening reception in Mr. Camp's honor will be held on Friday, September 8, 2017 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Please call 614-292-2262 or email the club at facultyclubosu@yahoo.com for more information or to RSVP.

The Merge of Convergence includes large scale mixed media paintings filled with vibrant color, texture and energy. Of his work, Todd says, *"After nearly a thirty year career as an artist, curator, administrator and educator, the pieces in this show have culminated into my most sophisticated spectacle of color, line, shape, and meaning to date. Each mark I generate now on the canvas was born three decades ago and has matured into compositions and ideas, which were sophomoric, but have been a running thread through my life. Of course, circumstances have shaped my identity and that of my work, but an artist's innate visual esthetic does not waver, it intensifies."* Camp relies on the experimental combination of material and its application to the wood canvas. He uses latex house paint, shellac, acrylic paint, spray paint, china marker, mastic, and enamel paint applied using a variety of rollers, squeegees, Dremel tools and palette knives. Depth, layering and rich textural surfaces are created by scraping and sanding to permit shapes and colors to recede or come forward into each painting. Barb Unverferth, owner of Art Access Gallery, states *"Todd is a very successful artist! People have responded to the intensity of color and the thick application of paint in his paintings."*

Born in Ashland, Ohio and now a resident of Newark, Todd Camp holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, with honors, from Columbus College of Art and Design. In addition, he served as Intern and Sculpture Assistant to Ohio State University professor Todd Slaughter. Camp currently serves as the Assistant Arts Administrator of the Columbus Cultural Arts Center, overseeing center operations, gallery installations and exhibitions, classes and workshops. In addition to arts administration, he has been an art educator, teaching countless students through a variety of venues including Columbus Recreation & Parks and Columbus Public Schools. Todd's award-winning works have been included in numerous national, regional and local exhibitions including recently at the Riffe Gallery Biennial Ohio Arts Council show, the Ohio State Fair Fine Arts exhibition, and the Peggy R. McConnell Center for the Arts.

Todd is represented by Art Access Gallery in Bexley. In addition to this solo exhibition at the Faculty Club, more of Todd's work can be seen in a group exhibition titled "It's All Abstract" at Art Access Gallery from September 8, 2017 through October 31, 2017. He is also represented by Muse Gallery in Hilton Head, South Carolina.

Established in 1923, The Ohio State University Faculty Club is located at 181 South Oval Drive on the Columbus campus of the university. The art exhibition program features the work of selected Ohio State University faculty, staff, students and alumni. Exhibitions are held throughout the year. All exhibitions are free and open to the public. For more information, please call the Faculty Club at 614-292-2262. For images of Todd Camp's artwork featured in the current exhibition or a photo of the artist, please contact lisa@ohio-statefacultyclub.com.