Senior gallery exhibition “Beyond the Surface” coming to Armstrong Campus

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The Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art will be asking viewers to take a deeper look into its upcoming senior exhibition, “Beyond the Surface,” which runs weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Oct. 1 through Friday, Oct. 12 at the Fine Arts Gallery located in Fine Arts Hall on the Armstrong Campus.

“Beyond the Surface” features the work of students Mercedes Warren, Amanda Austin and Tyeisha Jenkins. The artists encourage viewers to look beyond surface appearances, which can often be misleading.

Warren’s art prompts the viewer to examine uncomfortable truths about the world around them.

“Mental and spiritual growth does not come from comfort and routine,” she said. “They emerge when we face our toughest challenges and sometimes ugly truths.”

Austin’s work uses abstract visuals and textures to portray emotional feelings. Her work consists of paintings on both canvas and acrylic.

“I create texture paintings to physically and metaphorically project the personality of the paintings to the viewer,” she said.

Each artist brings their unique creative styles and interpretations together to share their vision of the ordinary world around them in an extraordinary way.

A reception and artist talk will be held at the Gallery on Friday, Oct. 12 from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

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