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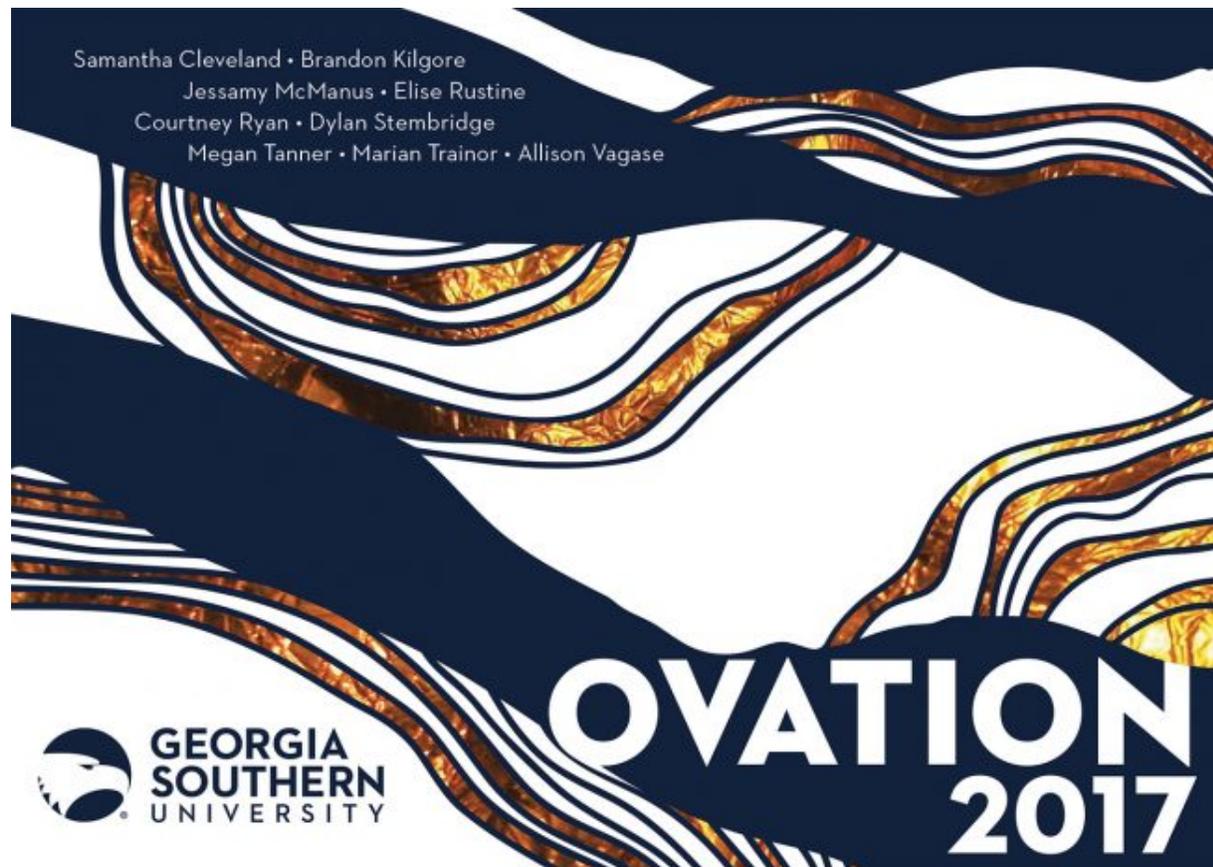
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Georgia Southern art students exhibit work at Savannah's Blick Gallery

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"Ovation," an exhibition showcasing the Georgia Southern University Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art (BFSDoArt) Visual Art Scholarship recipients for the 2017-18 academic year, will be on view Sept. 1-30 at Savannah's Blick Gallery.

The nine artists featured in the exhibition are Master of Fine Arts candidates Jessamy McManus and Courtney Ryan, as well as undergraduates Samantha Cleveland, Brandon Kilgore, Elise Rustine, Dylan Stembridge, Megan Tanner, Marian Trainor and Allison Vagase. The exhibition will include animation, ceramics, drawing, graphic design, painting, photography, printmaking/book arts, sculpture, and small metals.

A public reception for this year's exhibition will be Thursday, Sept. 21, from 6 to 8 p.m., and will coincide with Blick Art Materials' Madness sales event.

"The exhibition offers a glimpse into the wide range of artwork that is produced by our students. Every year I am impressed with the high-caliber work that the scholarship recipients produce," said

Associate Professor and exhibition curator, Elsie Taliaferro Hill, MFA. "I have no doubt this year will exceed expectations."

The Department awarded the Rosalind D. Ragans Art Scholarship, Carolyn Joyner Memorial Scholarship, Peter Smith Memorial Graphic Design Award, Roxie Remley Scholarship, the Jane Pleak Scholarship, the Eagle Nation on Parade Scholarship, and three Betty Foy Sanders Scholarships this academic year, as well as four travel scholarships. The criteria for receiving these competitive awards reflect the student's academic achievement and creative performance while enrolled at the BFSDoArt at Georgia Southern University.

"This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase the artistic accomplishments of our scholarship recipients in Savannah, and we could not be more proud of their work," said Professor and Visual Art Scholarship Director, Julie McGuire, Ph.D.

The Blick Gallery is located inside Blick Art Materials at 318 East Broughton Street in Savannah, Georgia, and is open Monday-Friday 8 a.m. – 8 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. – 7 p.m., and Sunday 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. Blick Art Materials, a leading provider of art materials, has been a long-time supporter and advocate for the arts and continues to be involved in many national and local initiatives to support art and offset budget constrictions in schools and communities.

The BFSDoArt at Georgia Southern University is committed to offering quality undergraduate and graduate degree programs that prepare students to become professional artists, designers, art historians, and industry executives. The BFSDoArt is recognized as an accredited member of the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD).

Learn more about the Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art at GeorgiaSouthern.edu/art.

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