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Priscilla Preus gallery opening set for April 30

PENDLETON, Ore. – An opening reception for artist Priscilla Preus, whose paintings are known for their vibrant color and exuberance, will be held Thursday, April 30, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the Betty Feves Memorial Art Gallery in Pioneer Hall on the Pendleton campus of Blue Mountain Community College.

Though Preus has experience with a variety of mediums, including sculpting, her gallery showing at BMCC will highlight her paintings, which range from landscapes to interiors to abstract imagery. The exhibition includes new paintings as well as a retrospective of large oil paintings on canvas.

Preus received her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the University of Washington. Her pieces are part of private, corporate and museum collections, including the Frye Museum in Seattle. She currently lives on the Hood Canal in Washington.

If Preus' last name sounds familiar, that's because she is the sister of BMCC President Cam Preus – one of Priscilla's biggest fans and an avid collector of her sister's artwork.

"I am very excited to have Priscilla's paintings featured in our gallery," Cam Preus said. "I'm so proud of her work and am such a fan, and it's really special to be able to show off her talents in our gallery and with our local community."

The show runs April 30 through June 3. The Betty Feves Memorial Gallery is open Monday-Thursday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and by appointment by calling 541-278-5952. Please note that the Gallery will be closed for Memorial Day on May 25.

The Betty Feves Memorial Art Gallery at BMCC is a non-profit exhibit space connecting emerging and established artists and their work with students, staff and the general public in eastern Oregon.

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