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Feves Gallery features La Grande artist

PENDLETON, Ore. – The Feves Gallery is ringing in 2017 with a collage exhibit featuring the work of Cory Peeke from La Grande. An Opening Reception will be held on Thursday, January 12th from 4:30-6:30 pm at Blue Mountain Community College. The community is invited to attend this free event and enjoy some refreshments while listening to the artist speak about his work.

Peeke's exhibit will include his recent collage work. The word collage is derived from the French word "coller", which means "to glue." It refers to an art technique where a variety of images are combined and assembled to create one new image. Peeke collects remnant images, often sourced from vintage books, then reassembles them with the intent of giving these once discarded images a new purpose; using scissors, tape and glue he "reincarnates and recharges" them. "Through the process of collage these snippets of the past combine to become something both fresh and familiar," Peeke explains. His latest work explores "the duality that is the transient, disposable nature of our culture through the lens of the book and the status of higher education."

Peeke holds a Master of Fine Arts degree from the University of Idaho and a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Kendall College of Art and Design. Peeke serves as the Director of the Nightingale Gallery and Professor of Art at Eastern Oregon University in La Grande, Oregon.

The exhibit at the Feves Gallery runs January 12-February 9, 2017. The Feves Gallery is open Monday-Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and by appointment by calling (541) 278-5952. The Feves Gallery is located in BMCC's Pioneer Hall on the Pendleton Campus at 2411 NW Carden Avenue. The Betty Feves Memorial 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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