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## Feves Gallery features Idaho artist

PENDLETON, Ore. – The public is invited to visit the Betty Feves Memorial Art Gallery now through March 16 to view the artistic talents of Idaho artist Laura Ahola-Young. The exhibit by this Pocatello, Idaho, resident features drawings and paintings influenced by the landscapes, winters, ice and resilience Ahola-Young experienced while growing up in northern Minnesota.

Ahola-Young develops the imagery in her paintings, then covers and reworks them with glazes, scraping and mark-making. Her paintings are centered on land, science and inquiry.

“For me, knowledge is always asking additional questions,” Ahola-Young says.

Ahola-Young received her Master of Fine Arts degree from San Jose State University in California and her Bachelor of Fine Arts in Painting from the Minneapolis College of Art and Design in Minnesota. In Pocatello, she is an assistant professor of art at Idaho State University. Prior to living in Idaho, Ahola-Young was an adjunct instructor of Fine Arts at Lane Community College in Eugene. For more information about her work, please visit <http://lauraaholayoung.com/home.html>.

In a departure from the normal exhibit openings in the Feves Gallery, the Gallery will host a Closing Reception on the last day of the exhibit on March 16 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. The community is invited to this free event, which will include light refreshments and an opportunity to hear from Ahola-Young herself about her work.

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 Gallery is located in Pioneer Hall on Blue Mountain Community College’s Pendleton campus, 2411 NW Carden Ave. The Betty Feves Memorial Art Gallery 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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