



Bob Rauschenberg Gallery at FSW awarded \$25,000 state grant

The Bob Rauschenberg Gallery at Florida SouthWestern State College (FSW) was awarded a \$25,000 Specific Cultural Projects grant from the Florida Division of Cultural Affairs.

Specific Cultural Projects grants benefit arts in education, discipline-based cultural or artistic projects, and underserved cultural community development. The Bob Rauschenberg Gallery, which received the maximum grant amount available, will use the funds to organize a February 2016 exhibition, further highlighting the contribution of the late artist Robert Rauschenberg.

"We are honored to receive a DCA grant this year, and are excited to move forward with planning the forth-

coming Rauschenberg exhibition it will support," said Jade Dellinger, director of the Bob Rauschenberg Gallery at FSW. "As the project is rapidly developing, we are hesitant to release much information at this point. But, the exhibition will focus on the first body of work Rauschenberg was inspired to make upon moving to Florida and will simultaneously explore the student-teacher relationship with his Black Mountain College instructor Josef Albers."

"The Bob Rauschenberg Gallery continues delivering world class, innovative exhibitions that enrich our students' experiences as well as the Southwest Florida community," said

Dr. Jeff Allbritten, FSW President. "We are proud that the State of Florida, specifically the Division of Cultural Affairs, has also recognized the contribution our gallery makes to the arts."

Through Nov. 7, the gallery is hosting Wayne White: Here Comes Mr. Know-It-All. White is an artist who won three Emmy awards for designing the sets and puppets on Pee-Wee's Playhouse and is now exhibiting new work he created while in the Robert Rauschenberg Foundation Residency program on Captiva Island.

For more information about the gallery or upcoming events, visit RauschenbergGallery.com or call 239-489-9313. ■