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Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Student Presents MFA Exhibit Showcasing the Historical Art of Metal Casting

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – The Department of Art at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi and University Galleries will present the MFA exhibition “The Importance of the Object” featuring the work of Brian Michael Przybyla Friday, May 1, through Saturday, May 16, at the Islander Art Gallery, 4024 Weber Road in Hamlin Center.

An opening reception will be held Friday, May 1, from 6-8 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

Przybyla, who is from Chicago, Ill., will showcase a new body of work created in the historical art of metal casting. He explains that many artists today deny the object and the material used to create the work.

“Metal casting has somewhat fallen out of favor in the contemporary art world,” said Przybyla. “All the works selected for this exhibition have various foundry materials and processes incorporated into them. By using the foundry as the starting point of my work, not only am I drawing attention to the history of the craft of sculpture, but I am also affirming the importance of the object.”

Przybyla’s work has been featured in local and national exhibitions. He was awarded “Best of Show” in November 2007 in the Dimension XXXV Juried Exhibition at the Art Center of Corpus Christi. For more information, call 361.825.2386.

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