



MASTER OF FINE ARTS
THESIS EXHIBITION
2025

MFA

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THE GALLERY AT THE VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

March 27–April 13
Opening reception: March 27, 6–8pm
School of Visual & Performing Arts, 2nd Floor
43 Lake Avenue Extension
Danbury, CT
Hours: Tues–Fri, noon–4pm
Sat–Sun, 1–4 pm
203-837-8403

BLUE MOUNTAIN GALLERY

June 17–July 6
Opening reception: June 19, 5–8pm
547 West 27 Street, Suite 200
New York, NY
Hours: Tues–Sat, 11–6pm
646-486-4730
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ABOUT THE MFA IN VISUAL ARTS PROGRAM

The MFA program is comprised of two years of intensive, creative study and extensive interaction with resident faculty and visiting artists. Students select a concentration in painting, illustration, or interdisciplinary visual art. Workshops, professional internships, contemporary and historical research, and teaching assistantships are integral to the program. Each student has a private MFA studio in the university's Visual & Performing Arts Center, located one hour from New York City and surrounded by the landscapes of southern New England.

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Tony DeZinno, portraits, cover
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For more information about the program,
call 203-837-8403 or visit wcsu.edu/art/mfa

The School of Visual and Performing Arts
at Western Connecticut State University
is pleased to announce its candidates
for the 2025 Master of Fine Arts degree.

TONY DEZINNO

ANDREA B. MCLAUGHLIN

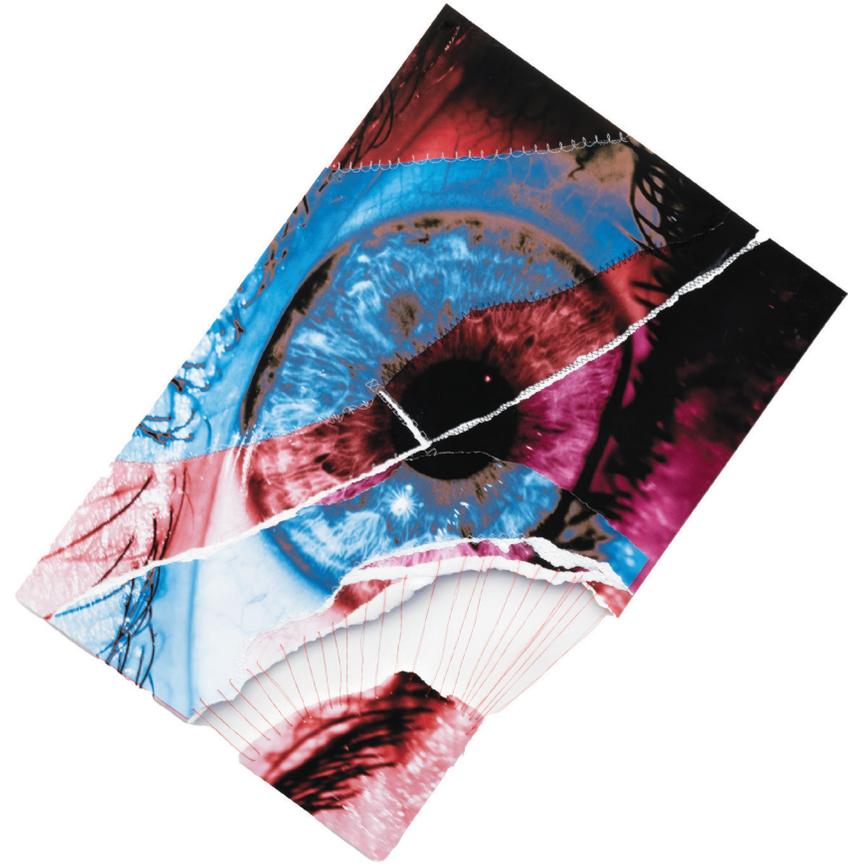
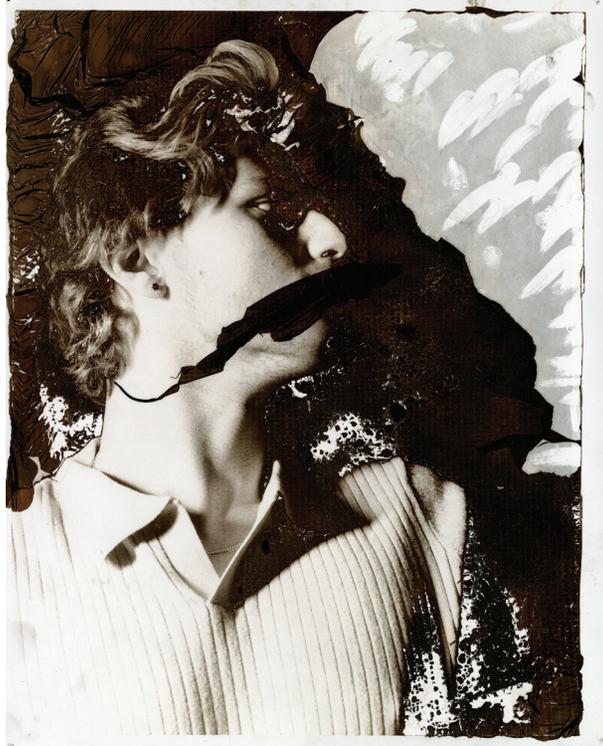
JILLIAN KATHRYN MIRABAL

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TONY DEZINNO

Opposite: *A Silent Voice* | archival inkjet print | 24 x 18 in.
Above: *Fragmented Vision* | archival inkjet print and thread collage | 22.5 x 19.5 in.



ANDREA B. MCLAUGHLIN

Opposite: *Geraniums* | collaged acrylic on paper, mounted on wood panel | 26 x 24 in.
Above: *Gardens* | mixed media collage mounted on wood panel | 26 x 36 in.



JILLIAN KATHRYN MIRABAL

Opposite: *Cuckoo* | charcoal on paper | 18 x 24 in.
Above: *A Loving Mother* | digital image on canvas | 40 x 30 in.



JOSEPH P. NOLAN



Opposite: *Martha at Dunkin Park* | acrylic | 40 x 28 in.
Above: *Airman Patrick Nolan* | acrylic | 20 x 16 in.



CRISTINA QUERRER

Opposite: *Shadow Work* | charcoal on paper | 33 x 23 in.

Above: *La Pensadora* | charcoal and metallic paint on paper | 42 x 67.5 in.



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Opposite: *Yellowstone* | digital image
Above: *The Last Time The Earth Saw You* | digital image



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