



HAROLD ALLEN

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EXHIBIT OF WORKS BY NATIONALLY PROMINENT ARTIST HAROLD ALLEN OPEN AT WCCCD BROWN AND JUANITA C. FORD GALLERY AT THE NORTHWEST CAMPUS

DETROIT, Mich. – March 16, 2023 – An exhibit featuring the paintings by nationally renowned artist Harold Allen is now open at the Wayne County Community College District’s Brown and Juanita C. Ford Gallery at the Northwest Campus. The gallery is located inside the Larry K. Lewis Education Center at 8200 West Outer Drive in Detroit. The reception and exhibit are open to the public at no cost. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. through 1 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Titled “Harold Allen: A Master Painter,” the exhibit features his colorful and expressive abstract paintings and collages and pays homage to the fundamentals of abstract painting in its finest renditions. The bold, vibrant colors and the layered geometric shapes evoke the rhythmic beats of music and spiritual moods. Allen’s paintings are largely biographical, depicting imagery of his love of jazz music and early childhood experiences.

Allen has exhibited his brilliantly expressive paintings in local galleries and museums such as the Pontiac Creative Arts Center, and Metropolitan Center for the Creative Arts, Cranbrook Art Museum, and the Museum of African American History. Nationally, audiences have viewed his artwork in the Art Institute of Chicago, Fort Wayne Museum of Art in Indiana and the Museum of African American Life and Culture in Dallas, Texas. His artwork is featured in many public and private collections.

The exhibit will be on display through April 15, 2023, and is presented in partnership with the WCCCD School of Continuing Education. For more information regarding the exhibit, email artgallery@wcccd.edu, call 313-496-2704 or visit www.wcccd.edu.

About WCCCD:

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