

## HCC Northeast closes spring art series with Earth Day exhibit

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Over a year ago, Houston Community College Northeast opened the Art Hub Gallery under the direction of Dr. Margaret Ford Fisher, HCC Northeast president. The gallery merges art with education and provides students and area residents with diverse works of art and multicultural activities for communities located in the east part of the service area.

HCC Northeast launched a spring series of art exhibitions that featured abstract and folk art, photography and even art made from fabric.

“During the last six months, the Art Hub Gallery has celebrated the diversity of art expressions within the community. The gallery has showcased community and internationally recognized artists and encouraged thought-provoking conversation about art, history, and social issues,” says Dr. Margaret Ford Fisher.

HCC Northeast Art Hub Gallery will close out its series by celebrating Earth Day with a photo exhibit titled “An Intimate Walk on Earth” by June Russell. The opening reception and lecture is scheduled for Wednesday, April 24 from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the Northeast Campus, 555 Community College Drive. Faculty, staff, students and the community is invited to take a journey through nature captured by the photographer’s lens.

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June Russell has been involved with artistic interests since childhood, when she painted, played piano and sang. Her interests took a back seat as she attained a BS in Chemistry and MBA. Russell has worked as a technical troubleshooter, sales representative and management consultant. She has also worked as an adjunct professor and is a professional musician who sings and plays piano and guitar.

Sixteen years ago, Russell returned to art with photography. She attended classes, went on photo expeditions, and has traveled to some of the most striking natural settings in the world. Her work is based on the natural world at a macro and micro level. Her work is included in collections around the country.

The exhibition runs April 22 – May 3, 2013 and is free and open to the public. For more information on the Earth Day art exhibition, call 713.718.2169.

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