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SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE PRESENTS *WILLIAM KING: INSIDE THE ARTIST'S STUDIO* MARCH 5 - APRIL 6, 2012 ON THE EASTERN CAMPUS

Riverhead, NY - The Lyceum Gallery, located in the Montaukett Learning Resource Center on the Eastern Campus of Suffolk County Community College in Riverhead, will present *William King: Inside the Artist's Studio* opening on March 5th and running through April 6, 2012. There will be an artists' reception, open to the general public, on Thursday, March 15th from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. Beth Giles and Margery Gosnell-Qua are the co-curators of this exhibit.

William King: Inside the Artist's Studio gives viewers a glimpse into the creative realm of the internationally celebrated artist, William King. Enchanted by William King's workshop, the curators became interested in Mr. King's world, full of maquettes, carving tools, sewing machines, and a fresh fall of wood shavings; an atmosphere borne of years of creative activity. The exhibit is designed to encompass a myriad of animated works that span Mr. King's career – the witty, gestural figures of all sizes engaged in dance and conversation, some decorated in playful patterns, others showing the raw materials (ceramics, wood, and metal) that Mr. King used to create his sculptures. A booklet that describes the curators' special encounter with Mr. King at his East Hampton studio will be on display.

Mr. King's resume includes a long list of accolades. He has been engaged in the art of creating sculptures for over sixty years and has exhibited his work at The Whitney Museum of American Art and the Museum of Modern Art in New York City. His work is in a number of museum collections including The Hirshhorn Museum in Washington, D.C. and The Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York. Mr. King is the recipient of a number of prestigious awards including a Fulbright Grant (1954), a National Academy of Design Gold Medal (1986), and The Guild Hall Lifetime Achievement Award (1997).

Regular gallery hours are: Mon.-Thurs. from 9:00 a.m.- 9:00 p.m.; Fri. from 9:00 a.m.- 6:30 p.m. and Sat. from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Spring break gallery hours (4/2 - 4/6) are: Mon.- Fri. 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Directions to the Eastern Campus: Take the Long Island Expressway to exit 70. Take County Road 111 four miles to County Road 51. Turn left toward Riverhead and go north on County Road 51. After 3.5 miles, turn right onto Speonk-Riverhead Road to the campus entrance on the right. For gallery hours, please call 631-548-2536.



Photo Caption: Curator's photo of William King's studio included in the exhibit brochure for *William King: Inside the Artist's Studio*, at the SCCC Riverhead Campus, Lyceum Gallery from March 5 – 30, 2012.

About Suffolk County Community College

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