

Zeringue displays work in Art Center through April 20

by Jocelyn Gauthier
Feature Editor

"Easy going," "multi-talented" and "creative" describe artist Jason Zeringue, CCC student and graphic design major. His art work is currently on display at the Art Center until April 20.

The show has been described as "figurative art work," but Zeringue explains his art work show as "realistic/fantasy/whatever pops in my mind."

He's been attending the college since fall '93, and plans to go on to PCC this fall to pursue his degree in graphic design.

Zeringue works with a variety of art forms, including watercolor, oil, pencil, computer and airbrush. "I don't have a preferred one; it's just whatever works easier on the subject matter," he said.

His works include business cards, packet illustrations and property/realty sketches for Century 21 in Canby. "That's the work part of it, but I really like comic-book art (which is the fun part)," he said.

As a freshman in high school, he was chosen as one of 24 entries out of 500 in a contest at OMSI. The contest, for high school and college students, had a theme about relations between the US and then USSR.

"I drew a Russian Mig and an F15 Eagle flying (together)...it's now on permanent



Photo by Josh Kehler
One of Zeringue's favorite pieces of art which "came out of nowhere," he described.

display at the Soviet Space Launch Site in Bochnia."

This was the start of a string of successful competitions for Zeringue, although he said, "I almost don't want to take (the) credit because you don't know judges. I don't know, half of it, I think, is luck on any contest. So, you gotta have a judge who's really interested in it."

After he finishes at PCC, he plans to go on "to work, hopefully!" he said. "(I want to) get a job and move out from my parent's house!"

"I don't want a \$5/hour job. I'm just trying to get out of that. I will hopefully use this ability to make some kind of sustainable money - that is, if the band doesn't go totally nationwide."

His band, "Herbal Jones," a favorite with Canby High School



Photo by Josh Kehler
Jason Zeringue, CCC student, is a member of the band, "Herbal Jones."

students, has a tape out called "Flower."

He and his friend joined the band in October '94 and "meshed together with our ideas and their ideas, and actually, not too much later, got our first album recorded." And that was the birth of "Flower."

"We just got a review in this one Portland magazine. It was funny, you know, there's just a ton of reviews of hundreds of bands and...actually, we felt lucky because he (the reviewer) didn't say we were totally good, but he didn't totally slam us.

"At least he said they were 'catchy enough to stick around with you all day'," Zeringue said.

Zeringue describes the band's sound as "90's rock, I don't want to say grunge. It is actually different, though, because we do have a lot of catchy songs. People seem to like it...they come to our shows!"

"We totally paid for our album in 1 1/4 shows. It cost just under \$1,000 to get our album made," he said.

"Flower" is available on cassette only. "When we become rich, we'll get CDs - with color!" Zeringue said with a laugh.

"We saved a lot of money because we did the cover art on my computer...I manipulated the photographs that other people took, through PhotoShop, and sized them and put them all together," he said.

Despite his success with "Herbal Jones," Zeringue holds his future with that very lightly.

"It's just a hopefully thing...kind of a side-fun thing. If that happens, great, if not, that's fine too. I have graphic design to lean on."

Spring term one-acts under way

Amy Ku'uipo Bierman
Staff Reporter

The Theater Department is currently working on this term's one-act plays.

"Minority Status Quo" is the first play, written and directed by student Matt Russell.

According to Craig McCarty, the play explores the conflict between Christianity and homosexuality.

Most importantly, this play deals with "the searching for friendship, (because of) the loneliness, a human connection of some sort," said Barbara Bragg, Theater and Communications Department secretary.

Russell, McCarty, Jeffrey D. Woods and Jen Johnson make up the cast of "Minority Status Quo."

The second play is entitled "Miguelito," written by student Rosemary Jane.

It takes place in a South

American country and is a picturesque dreamscape about war.

Starring in "Miguelito" will be: Craig McCarty as Miguelito, Rae Cooper as Juano, Matt Russell as Enrique, Angela Deardorf as the narrator, and Jeffrey D. Woods and

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English Instructor

Sky Trammell as soldiers.

Fuzzy Aura is the name of this term's comedy improvisation group. Comedy improvisation here at the college was started last

term as part of the Theater Department's Special Projects class.

The group acts out a number of different skits and scenes using audience suggestions and input.

Fuzzy Aura consists of students: Jeffrey D. Woods, Heather Rowley, Angela Deardorf, Sky Trammell, Matt Schwab, Rae Cooper and Bonita Daniels.

"Miguelito" and Fuzzy Aura will be performed at 12:30 p.m., May 30 and June 1, in the McLoughlin Hall Theatre.

"Minority Status Quo" will be performed at noon, May 31, and a special performance of all three acts will be held for Humanities classes at 6:30 p.m.

All three performances will be held at 8 p.m., June 1.

All performances are free and open to the public.

Chrysalis offers creative writing support, constructive criticism

by Brendon Neal
Staff Writer

Chrysalis, a writer's club, allows women to share their ideas and works in progress with other women and get feedback.

Chrysalis was formed a little over two years ago by a group of students. They wanted to continue the work they had done in a Introduction to Literature class.

The group at the time was all women and has become a women's writing club.

However, Kate Gray, the advisor, said that men would not be turned away if they asked to enter the club.

Over the first two years the club averaged about five members. Then last fall the membership rose to about 10 members. It is now 16 members which is the most they have ever had.

The members don't have to do any fund raising. This is because the club doesn't actually require any money to keep it going.

Chrysalis meets every Wednesday from 1-2. They meet in different locations every term, depending on what classroom is

empty during their time. This term Chrysalis is meeting in Dye Learning Center, library, in room 104. They read or sing their works to each other.

These works include pieces of novels, poetry and even some songs which are sung.

Then the rest of the members talk about the pieces and ways the author might improve their writings.

Gray says, "This group is ter-

rific for giving very constructive pragmatic suggestions on writing."

In the future Gray hopes to find a way to have two meetings a week. One during the day and one in the evening.

This is because many writers work during the day and can't come to the regular meetings.

However, she doesn't know when this change could occur, because she doesn't have time to advise the night meetings herself.

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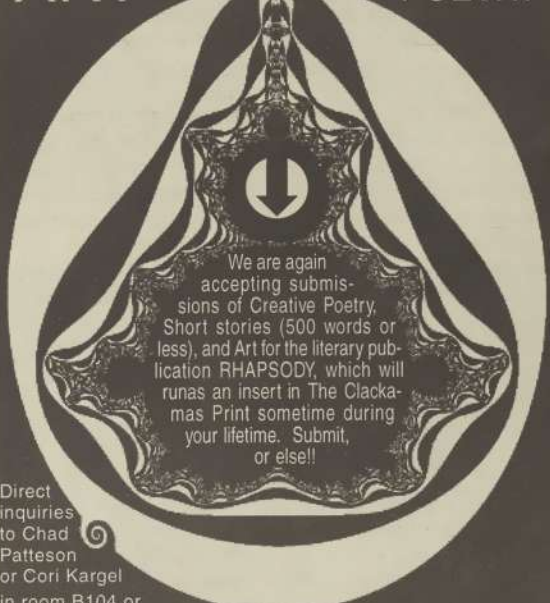
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