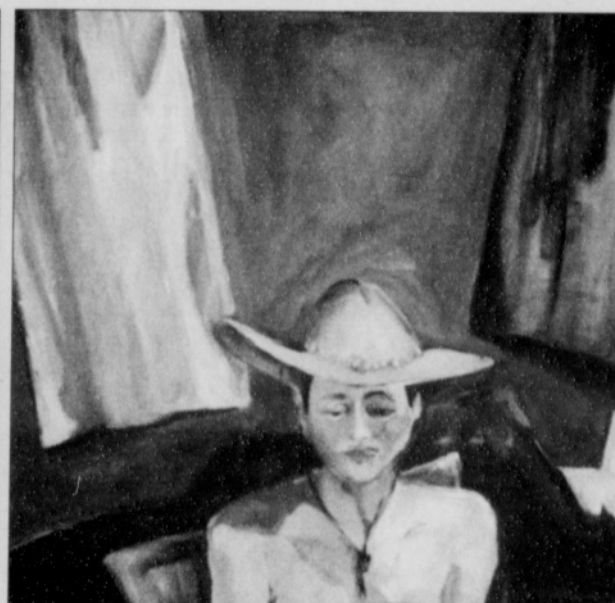


# Talisman Gallery Presents Local Color

The May Show for the Talisman Gallery will be present artists Fran Hepp and Joseph Blanchette. The show will open on May 27th on Last Thursday at 1476 N.E. Alberta St. The show will run through June 20th. Artists reception will be from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on May 27th.

Artist Fran Hepp said "Art is a wonderful form of expression and I use it to convey the power and strength within women that is so often misunderstood. When I study a figure for a painting, I look for and try to feel the inner person. It is fun."

"I wish to reaffirm the *"Mt. Tam Mystery Version 2,"* by Joseph Blanchette



*"Roll 'm,'"* oil on canvas, by Fran Hepp

meaning of beauty. My work is a minimalistic representation, communicating the relationship between the transcendental and the ordinary not available in the various dogmas of abstraction or conventional realist styles....," said artist Joseph Blanchette.

Talisman Gallery is an artist owned cooperative in the Alberta art area. Talisman has between one and two Group Shows annually and rotates two person shows.

Gallery Hours are Thursday and Friday from 1-6 p.m.; Saturday 11-5; Sunday 1-4 p.m.

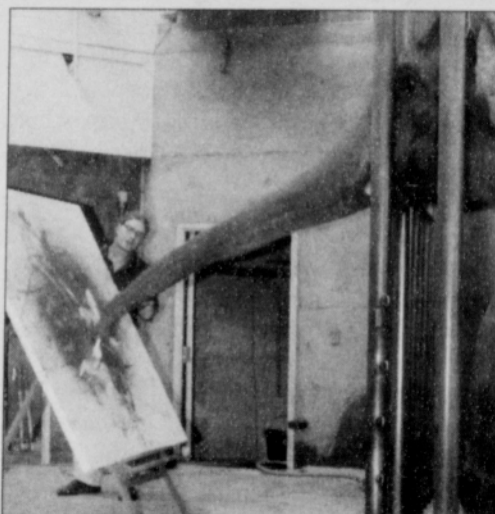
## Plus-sized Painter

Portland is getting a peek into the world of elephant art as an Oregon Zoo pachyderm creates colorful masterpieces.

Rama, the resident elephant artist at the zoo, has a full collection of works ready for exhibition at the Pearl District's Mark Woolley Gallery May 22 through 24.

The 21-year-old male Asian elephant, isn't the first painting pachyderm. Elephants in Asia have gone to painting school, but Rama appears to be a natural. He is the world's first elephant to combine artistic methods, creating paintings that are reminiscent of Pollock's paint splatters and Miro's subconscious imagery.

Rama's artistic technique involves collecting non-toxic paint in his trunk, and spraying it across a canvas creating colorful backdrops. He then uses a brush to add graceful strokes.



Rama, the artistic elephant

## Supermodel Wins Case

(AP) — Supermodel Naomi Campbell has won an appeal in a privacy case against a newspaper that published photographs of her leaving a drug counseling meeting. Reversing a lower court decision, the Law Lords, Britain's highest court, ruled 3-2 that the Daily Mirror invaded Campbell's privacy.



Naomi Campbell

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