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## TINY CITY TO BRING BIG SHOW TO THE ICE HOUSE

BERKELEY SPRINGS, WV— A wide range of artwork from the tiny town of Thomas, West Virginia will be presented in "Tiny City Works", on exhibit in the Morgan Arts Council's Ice House Gallery in Berkeley Springs beginning June 4th and continuing until July 25th. There will be a meet-the-artists reception with music by jazz saxophonist Dillard Groom on June 12th starting at 4:30 p.m. at the Ice House.

Also showing in the Carr-Kelly Gallery and Hall of Dreams, the Fairfax Art League will present "Perspectives", featuring an eclectic mix of subjects, techniques and media exploring the possibilities of self-expression.

"Tiny City Works" explore the works of 11 Thomas-based artists. The work presented is highly varied in medium and style, reflecting what visitors would find as they wander through the Thomas art community. This show ranges across the mediums of letterpress, experimental photography, textiles, conceptual cartoon, wooden sculpture and pen and ink. While deeply varied in approach almost all the work in this show has strong leanings towards conceptual, non-traditional or contemporary schools of thought. "I'm perpetually inspired by the originality of the artists working in town." says Curator and local artist Seth Pitt. "The common thread within this show is that what these artists make is distinctly their own. I was hoping to curate a glimpse into the environment of stark individuality cultivated by the work made here."

MAC will offer two adult classes at the Ice House during the show. The first will be Saturday, June 12th, and feature "Paint Pouring Fairies" instructed by Maryelen Willinghan; the second class will be "Mosaic Pendants" instructed by Michele Pasciullo on Saturday, July 10th. The times for both classes are 2-4:30 p.m. Registration and additional information can be found online at www.macicehouse.org or by calling 304-258-2300.

Gallery hours are Thursday through Monday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The curated gallery shows are presented with financial assistance from the West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture and History, and the National Endowment for the Arts, with approval from the West Virginia Commission on the Arts, and local hotel/motel taxes.

The Ice House is at the corner of Independence and Mercer in downtown Berkeley Springs, WV. For more information on this and other MAC activities visit <a href="www.macicehouse.org">www.macicehouse.org</a> and on our Facebook page.

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