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City Hall Gallery Features Exhibition by James Mayner

The Springfield Arts Commission is pleased to present an exhibition of work by artist James Mayner. The show runs through November 30, 2018 with an opening reception from 5-7 p.m., Friday, November 9. The reception is open to the community and will also feature light refreshments and live music by Christian Brown.

Inspired by the unique environments of the Southwest, California, and Oregon, Mayner has for the past several years explored photo collage using original photographs to create works both realistic and abstract using line, pattern, and composition.

This particular poly-chrome series interprets personal experiences and a variety of locales. Creating abstract images from original photographs, tinted waxes and line, color itself provides the inspiration for motifs that suggest natural sites as well as fantasized abstractions.

Mayner has served as a site monitor of indigenous sites in California for the US Forest Service and is a member of the American Rock Art Research Association.

Located on a 90-foot wall just outside the entrance to the Springfield library, City Hall Gallery is seen by approximately 3,700 visitors each month. Since 1989, the gallery has featured monthly shows by regional artists chosen by the Springfield Arts Commission. The Commission issues a public call to artists each year. More information is available at www.springfieldartscommission.org

About Springfield Arts Commission

The Springfield Arts Commission promotes artistic and cultural richness and diversity in the City of Springfield, Oregon. The Commission assists in the preservation of the cultural heritage of the community as expressed through artistic endeavors. The Commission seeks to support opportunities for artistic creation, exhibits, performances and events, and to facilitate awareness, communication, education and collaboration to increase the accessibility of the arts and art-related resources in the community. The nine-member volunteer Commission manages City Hall Gallery, administers the

Heritage Arts Grant program, maintains Art Alley - a collection of outdoor murals, and supports youth arts programs in collaboration with the Springfield Public Library. The Commission is funded by City of Springfield room taxes. More information is available at www.springfieldartscommission.org

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