Exhibition of art for apartment furnishings at Art Museum

Randy Clark and Tim Steele, faculty members at South Dakota State University, show some of their design techniques in an exhibition called, “Home Furnishings and Art for Your Apartment” at the South Dakota Art Museum. The eclectic pieces are on display until Sunday, May 22.

Steele, interim head of the visual arts department, and Clark, associate professor of visual arts, display artwork that consists mainly of pieces that reflect a pop and post-modernist genre. The exhibition includes constructions, figures, painting and prints from the two designers.

“The work is unique and looks like furniture, featuring constructions and references to everyday home furnishings presented in a mildly unusual context,” said Steele.

Steele has been a professor at SDSU since 1985 and specializes in graphic design, painting, drawing and sculptural works. He has taught classes around the world in China, Japan, Denmark, Germany and Italy, received numerous international awards and has had exhibitions and collections on display across the U.S.

Screenprints by Clark are also included in the exhibition. “What is offered is something different, minimal, colorful and thought out. Some have personal stories, others are named for people with different virtues,” said Clark.

Clark has taught at State since 2000 specializing in graphic design and printmaking. He has participated in 43 peer-reviewed, juried shows and exhibitions, and received honors and awards across the country.

All the artwork on display can be purchased through the museum, either framed or unframed. Steele’s work consists of one-of-a-kind pieces; however, Clark’s artwork includes prints that are available in multiple copies to purchase.

The exhibition is a continuation of the South Dakota Art Museum’s South Dakota Artist Series that recognizes statewide artists.

The South Dakota Art Museum is located on the campus of SDSU in Brookings, on Medary Avenue at Harvey Dunn Street. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays. The Museum is closed on Sundays January through March and observes state holidays. The Museum or Museum Store can be reached by calling 605-688-5423 or toll free at 866-805-7590.

**Photo:** Tim Steele’s piece, “Three Legged Pot,” is made of lacquer and compounds on wood. In the background are Randy Clark’s prints, “Life Correspondingly,” top, and “Adversity,” bottom. Pieces by both SDSU faculty members are being exhibited at the South Dakota Art Museum.