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Let's go crazy

Stjepan Vlahovich views "Piet's Anvil" by Cleveland artist Ed Mieczkowski at the Vern Riffe Center in Columbus Tuesday.

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Gallery presents 'Spirit of Cleveland'

COLUMBUS — The Ohio Arts Council's Riffe Gallery is currently presenting "The Spirit of Cleveland: Visual Arts Recipients of the Cleveland Arts Prize 1961-1995" which opened May 9 and will run through July 27.

"The Spirit of Cleveland," organized by the Cleveland Institute of Art and curated by Dennison W. Griffith, surveys the work of painters, sculptors, craftspersons and designers who have been honored for their distinguished careers in the visual arts.

The exhibition celebrates the depth, vitality and contributions of 34 artists whose accomplishments have warranted bestowal of the prestigious Cleveland Arts Prize. This prize, awarded annually, is sponsored by the Women's City Club of Cleveland and the Cleveland Women's City Club Foundation.

Organized as a precursor to the 1996 Cleveland Bicentennial celebrations, the exhibition includes work by painters such as Richard Anuszkiewicz, Clarence Carter and John Pearson; craftspersons Toshiko Takaezu, Judith Salomon, and Lilian Tyrrell; sculptors such as David Davis, Athena Tacha and La Wilson; and jewelry designer John Paul Miller.

The exhibition offers viewers a survey of the depth and power of the Cleveland area's most influential, innovative and widely recognized artists, selected from 1961 (the first year of the prize) through the present.

Accompanying the exhibition is a 48-page color catalog featuring reproductions of the artists' work, as well as essays by artist, collector and critic Michael D. Hall, and curator Dennison

W. Griffith, deputy director of the Columbus Museum of Art.

The show premiered in September 1995 at the Cleveland Institute of Art and will travel next to the Beck Center for Cultural Arts in Lakewood.

The exhibition has been organized by the Cleveland Institute of Art, and supported by The Cleveland Foundation, Cleveland Institute of Art, Elizabeth Firestone Graham Foundation, Ms. Agnes Gund, The George Gund Foundation, Nesnadny + Schwartz, Nissan Design International and the Ohio Arts Council with the support of the Ohio Building Authority.

The Riffe Gallery, operated by the Ohio Arts Council, showcases the work of Ohio's artists and the collections of the state's museums and galleries.

The Riffe Gallery is located in the Vern Riffe Center for the Government and the Arts, State and High Streets, Columbus, OH. Gallery hours are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Thursday and Friday 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday 12 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission is free.

For information or to schedule a tour call the Riffe Gallery at 614/644-9624.

For more information about arts, entertainment, hotels, dining and other activities in Columbus please call 1-800-345-4FUN.

Visual Arts Recipients of the Cleveland Arts Prize 1961-1995:

1961 John Paul Miller, Goldsmith
1962 Toshiko Takaezu, Ceramist
1963 Kenneth Bates, Enamelist

1964 William McVey, Sculptor
1965 Paul Travis, Painter
1966 Edward Mieczkowski, Painter
1967 John Clague, Sculptor
1968 Frederick A. Miller, Silversmith
1969 Julian Stanczak, Painter
1970 Joseph McCullough, Painter
1971 H. C. Cassill, Printmaker
1972 Clarence H. Carter, Painter
1973 Viktor Schreckengost, Industrial Designer and Painter
1974 Joseph B. O'Sickey, Painter
1975 John Pearson, Painter
1977 Richard Anuszkiewicz, Painter
1978 Ralph Woehrman, Painter/Printmaker
1979 Hugh Kepets, Painter
1980 David E. Davis, Sculptor
1981 Athena Tacha, Sculptor
1982 Phyllis Sloane, Painter/Printmaker
1983 Claude Conover, Ceramist
1984 Wenda F. von Weise, Quilted Tapestry Maker
1985 Moe Brooker, Painter
1986 Shirley Aley Campbell, Painter
1987 Brent Kee Young, Glass Artist
1988 Kenneth Nevadomi, Painter
1989 Carl Floyd, Sculptor
1990 Judith Salomon, Ceramist
1991 Don Harvey, Sculptor
1992 Lilian Tyrrell, Weaver
1993 La Wilson, Sculptor
1994 Masumi Hayashi, Photographer
1995 John Moore, Painter

* There was no award in 1976

Art Exhibits

THROUGH JUNE 30

"New Art 6: Andrea Zittel," Cincinnati Art Museum. Zittel's functional sculptures are meant to serve the owners' living needs in a simple, aesthetic way. Call (513) 721-5204.

THROUGH JUNE 9

"Art to Art: Albert Paley, Jim Dine, Therman Statom Respond to Toledo's Treasures," The Toledo Museum of Art. These internationally recognized artists familiarized themselves with the museum's collections and created their own works in response. Call (419) 255-8000.

THROUGH JUNE 9

"Best of 1996," the Ohio Craft Museum, Columbus. This annual juried exhibition spotlights the works of top artists in fine contemporary crafts in Ohio. Call (614) 486-4402.

MAY 5-26

"Recent Works," Cultural Arts Center, Columbus. The exhibition will feature the mixed media works of Gilda Edwards. Call (614) 645-7047.

THROUGH JUNE 2

"Robert Glenn Ketchum: Landscape Photographs," The Cleveland Museum of Art. Ketchum's photographs capture the beauty of the wilderness while questioning how man uses and manages the Earth's natural resources. Call (216) 421-7340.

MAY 9-JULY 27

"The Spirit of Cleveland: Visual Arts Recipients of the Cleveland Arts Prize 1961-1995," the Riffe Gallery, Columbus. This exhibition surveys the work of painters, sculptors, craftspersons and designers who have been honored for their distinguished careers in the visual arts. Call (614) 466-2613.



ROBERT MULLER

Joseph B. Sickey's *Table in the Garden* from the Riffe Gallery exhibition.



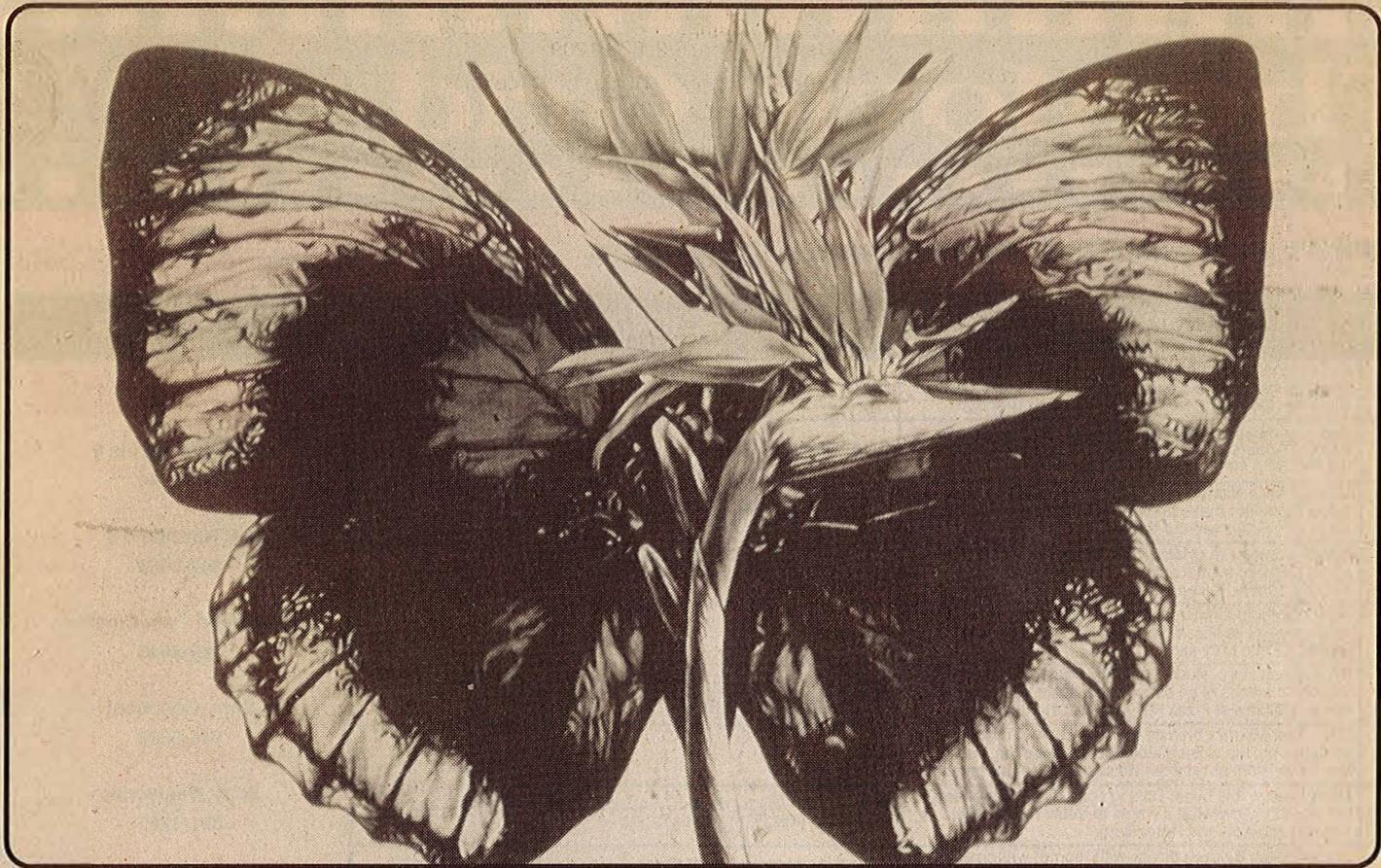
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Art from the north: The Riffe Gallery (77 S. High St.) displays 'The Spirit of Cleveland: Visual Arts Recipients of the Cleveland Arts Prize, 1961-1995' through July 27. Exhibit hours are 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Weds.; 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Thurs. & Fri.; noon-4 p.m. Sat. & Sun. Admission is free; call 644-9624 for information.



An exhibition of works by Cleveland artists, on view in Columbus—maybe we're friends after all! **The Spirit of Cleveland: Visual Arts Recipients of the Cleveland Arts Prize 1961-1995**, which showcases the work of 34 artists—painters, sculptors, craftsmen and designers—who have won the prestigious Cleveland Arts Prize, is on view through July 27 at the Ohio Arts Council's Riffe Gallery. Among the works: Frederick A. Miller's sterling silver pieces; John Clague's *One Man Band*, an interactive, musical sculpture; Julian Stanczak's luminous op-art paintings; Phyllis Sloane's *Homage to Ammi Phillips*, with its folk art references; Lilian Tyrrell's "disaster blankets," with tragedies depicted on tapestries; and Ralph Woehrman's *Beata* (above), a richly colorful piece in pencil, ink and acrylic. The show was organized by the Cleveland Institute of Art and curated by Dennison Griffith, deputy director at the Columbus Museum of Art. The Riffe Gallery is open Monday (except Memorial Day), Tuesday and Wednesday 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Thursday and Friday 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday noon-4 p.m. Admission is free.