

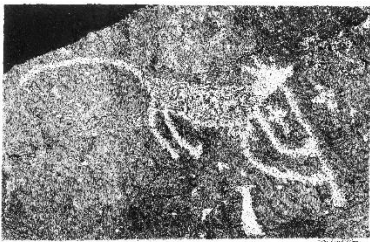


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NEW Art Exhibit “*Pen and Ink*” by Gary Gackstatter on display March 11- April 29, 2022!

Opening Reception: Friday, March 11 5:00-7:00pm

A portion of the proceeds will benefit The Green Center's education programs.



Artist Statement: Drawing with pen and ink, for me, is a form of meditation, a way of deeply connecting with what I draw. The subject matter speaks to me, drawing me to it. No matter what I am drawing, I consider every drawing a portrait of a person or place's spirit.

Artist Biography: **Gary Gackstatter** is an active artist, composer, conductor, clinician, performer and teacher, teaching at STLCC Meramec as Coordinator of Music and conductor of the Symphonic Band and Meramec Orchestra since 2007. He has served as conductor at Cowley College, Southwestern College and Wichita State University. He holds a BME from Southwestern Oklahoma State and a MMP/Conducting from Wichita State University. He is a two-time Kansas Governor's Arts Award Winner and is the 2017 Missouri Humanities Council Excellence in Education award winner.

Using 100-yr old crow quill nibs and ink to create highly detailed scenes has been Gackstatter's passion for 20 years. He has displayed his work in Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Oklahoma and New Mexico. He has multiple appearances at the St Louis Art Fair and Webster Art and Air (winning the Drawing category several times), and has done many one-man shows including the St Louis Ethical Society and faculty shows at STLCC Meramec.

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