

'IS NORTH FORWARD' EXHIBIT AT RMC

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Re: Troy Evans, "Is North Forward?" an exhibition of work in wood and metal

Opening reception—Thursday, October 22, 5–7pm
Exhibition—October 21–November 13, 2009
Ryniker-Morrison Gallery, Tech Hall
Rocky Mountain College
1511 Poly Drive
Billings, Montana

BILLINGS -- Rocky Mountain College is proud to present the exhibition, "Is North Forward?" work in metal and wood by Troy Evans, Blockhorse Designs, at the Ryniker-Morrison Gallery in Tech Hall. The exhibition will be held from October 21 through November 13, 2009, with an opening reception honoring the artist on Thursday, October 22, 5:00–7:00pm.

Evans' work utilizes reclaimed wood, exotic woods and metal. His designs are simple and rugged and have a masculine strength and presence, as well as a strong sense of balance. He finds inspiration from a driving creative force within himself rather than relying on trends. He has timber-framed houses, built curved staircases, created focal pieces for commercial businesses and dealt in medieval art. Evans is always looking for how his work will evolve and to the new places his art will take him. He states, "I look to find the Honest Line. I search for the simple--The simplest of Lines are the most sophisticated. To find those Lines have become my life's ambition."

Evans began work as a carpenter during summers while he was in high school and college. In 1989 he received an apprenticeship in the Historical District of Charleston, South Carolina. He began Blockhorse Designs in 1993 and completed five curved staircases before his 25th birthday. In 1999, he began a business partnership in medieval sculptures and old masters paintings. In 2004, he built the bar at the new Walker's restaurant, for which

he won Craftsman of the Year from the Billings Association of Architects. He was published in Contemporary Western Design in 2005. Recently, he has been working on a commission for General Electric and Montana Partnership. He works and lives in Roundup, Montana.

The public is invited to the exhibition and reception. The Ryniker-Morrison Gallery is on the first floor in Tech Hall, the building between the library and the football field. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 9:00am–4:00pm, and by appointment (contact Jane Deschner, 248-7494).

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