Exhibition and Event Announcement
August 2015

2015-16 Estelle Lebowitz Endowed Visiting Artist in Residence

CHITRA GANESH

Solo Exhibition
September 1 - December 10, 2015
Mary H. Dana Women Artists Series Galleries / Douglass Library, Rutgers University

Reception / Public Lecture by Chitra Ganesh
Tuesday, November 3, 2015 – 5pm

New Brunswick, NJ – The Center for Women in the Arts and Humanities (CWAH) is delighted to announce that Chitra Ganesh has been named the 2015-16 Estelle Lebowitz Endowed Visiting Artist in Residence. Her work will be featured in a solo exhibition on view from September 1 – December 10, 2015, in the Mary H. Dana Women Artists Series Galleries at the Mabel Smith Douglass Library, Rutgers University. There will be a reception in honor of the artist on Tuesday, November 3rd at 5pm, and a free public lecture by the artist at 5:30pm. Further information about the exhibition, event, and parking can be found at iwa.rutgers.edu.
Chitra Ganesh is a Brooklyn based artist whose drawing, mixed media, site-specific, and text based works address buried narratives typically absent from the official canons of history, literature, and art. Her imagery is drawn from a broad range of references spanning from the iconography of Hindu, Greek, and Buddhist mythology to 19th Century European portraiture and fairytales to more contemporary cultural references such as Bollywood, Anime and comic books. Ganesh is widely recognized for her experimental use of comic and large-scale narratives forms to communicate submerged histories and alternate articulations of femininity. She is the recipient of a number of residencies and her works have been exhibited internationally as well as across the US.

To accompany the exhibition, CWAH will publish a comprehensive online catalog with an introductory essay by Radhika Balakrishnan, Faculty Director of the Center for Women’s Global Leadership, and Professor, Women’s and Gender Studies at Rutgers University.

The Mary H. Women Artists Series Galleries are located in the Mabel Smith Douglass Library (8 Chapel Drive, New Brunswick, NJ 08901). Gallery hours are Monday through Friday 9am – 4:30pm. The galleries and lecture are free and open to the public. Contact CWAH about accessibility needs at womenart@rci.rutgers.edu.

The Mary H. Dana Women Artists Series is a program of the Center for Women in the Arts and Humanities in partnership with Rutgers University Libraries. The exhibition and lecture are sponsored by the Estelle Lebowitz Memorial Fund, which provides funding to bring the work of renowned contemporary women artists through exhibitions, class visits, and public lectures to Rutgers and general public.

Rutgers co-sponsors include: African, Middle Eastern, and South Asian Languages and Literatures; Art Library; Asian American Cultural Center; Brodsky Center; Center for Cultural Analysis; Center for Women’s Global Leadership; Centers for Global Advancement and International Affairs (GAIA Centers); Department of Art History; Department of Women’s and Gender Studies; Douglass Residential College; Fine Arts Department-Camden; Institute for Research on Women; Institute for Women’s Leadership; Margery Somers Foster Center; Mason Gross School of the Arts-Visual Arts; Paul Robeson Galleries-Newark; RUPA; South Asian Studies Program; Women and Creativity House-Global Village. Additional co-sponsors: Durham Press (PA) and the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.

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