

NEWS RELEASE

Bruno David Gallery Announces Its September 2007 Exhibition

JOAN HALL: From Whence We Came



Bruno David Gallery is pleased to announce the exhibit *From Whence We Came* in the main gallery by **Joan Hall**.

Ms. Joan Hall new work features large-scale, sculptural works on paper that are thickly layered with handmade paper, pulp, printing ink and acrylic. The process of addition and subtraction, cutting out shapes and painting with paper creates a deep and complex surface that reveals new images as we look deeper into the work, as though the viewer is diving through the surface of the ocean. Her newest work integrates computer-generated

images of genetically altered proteins with the deftly rendered cellular sea life illustrations by Ernst Haeckel from the early 1900's. Implicit natural phenomena, such as water, wind, currents, and waves not only show the artist's long fascination with the sea, but also portray the permeability of human beings' basic structure from part to whole; we are of and by the sea. John F Kennedy remarked on the inextricable bond between human beings and the ocean when he marveled upon the fact that ..."all of us have the same amount of salt in our blood as exists in the ocean; we have salt in our blood, sweat, and tears. When we go to the sea, we are going back from whence we came."

Ms. Hall is Professor of Art at the Sam Fox School of Design and Visual Arts at Washington University in St. Louis and holds the Kenneth E. Hudson Professorship. Her work is included in the collections of the Brooklyn Museum of Art, the Saint Louis Art Museum, the Fogg Art Museum in Massachusetts, the Leopold-Hoesch Museum in Duren, Germany, the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, the Pulitzer Foundation for the Arts, the Evansville Museum of Art, the Municipal Museum, Suwa, Japan, and the Municipal Museum, Nanjing in China. Her work has been published in over 10 books and her latest exhibition was at the Hillwood Museum, New York.

WHO: **Joan Hall in the Main Gallery**
WHAT / WHEN: Opening Reception. Friday, September 7 from 6 to 9 pm (**Exhibition: September 7 – October 13, 2007**)
WHERE: Bruno David Gallery, 3721 Washington Boulevard (in Grand Center) St. Louis, MO 63108
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HOURS: 10 AM to 5 PM Wednesday through Saturday, and by appointment

Bruno David Gallery is located at 3721 Washington Boulevard, in the heart of the Grand Center Arts District, directly opposite The Pulitzer Foundation for the Arts and the Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis. The gallery is open free to the public and the hours are 10 AM to 5 PM Wednesday through Saturday, and by appointment.