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**Center for the Arts in Crested Butte hosting Western Student Art Show**  
*Juried by Rosalind Cook, the exhibit will feature 21 student artists*

**GUNNISON/CRESTED BUTTE** - The Center for the Arts in Crested Butte and the Western Student Art League are proud to announce the opening of the first annual juried student show from April 6th to April 30th at the Kinder-Padon Gallery. This exhibition showcases 27 distinctive artworks from Western Colorado University student artists.

**FREE PUBLIC EVENT:** To celebrate this historic event, there will be a reception on April 9th from 4:30 to 7:30 PM featuring live music from Western's own music department and a presentation of awards. Capacity is limited due to COVID-19 so we ask that you please arrive early and wear a mask.

This exhibition of visual art will feature finely crafted paintings, photos, prints, ceramics, jewelry, and installation work by 21 current art students at Western Colorado University. This showcase was juried by Rosalind Cook, a locally and nationally renowned sculptor who lives and creates in Crested Butte.

*"Welcome to an EXPLOSION of creativity and concepts and mediums!"* said exhibit juror, Rosalind Cook. *"The University and qualified staff have offered these budding artists an in-depth exposure to it all. As a juror, I was most impressed at the body of work by these students. It takes courage to submit your work for judging as one's work is an intimate extension of themselves."*

This exhibit is a wonderful opportunity to support both the CFTA and the Western Music and Art Departments. The various artwork will be for sale, and the proceeds will go to supporting the student artists and the Center. Despite the pandemic, there is still ample chance to celebrate these local visionaries.

**ABOUT THE CFTA:** As a home for arts and culture, The Center for the Arts offers engaging opportunities and educational experiences to enrich and expand the life of our community. For more info about this event and other gallery openings please visit us at [crestedbuttearts.org](http://crestedbuttearts.org) or call us at 970-349-7487.

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