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Finding Beauty

Opening Reception: Friday, May 21, 2010 from 7 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Show Dates: May 21- May 30, 2010

Alexandria, VA (April 9, 2010) - Finding Beauty reflects how artist Amanda R. Wright responds to her present everyday environment and to the people within it. She is also inspired by childhood experiences in New York's Adirondack Mountains. Through painting and mixed media, flowers, mountains and other symbolically depicted landscape elements, are brought into bold, radiant, multicolored light to tell her story. The show is Ms. Wright's thesis exhibition for her Masters of Interdisciplinary Studies, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA.

Amanda grew up in Plattsburgh, New York, near the Adirondack Mountains. She earned her undergraduate degree in Studio Art with a concentration in painting from the State University of New York at Potsdam and received a certificate in K-12 Art Education at St. Lawrence University. She has resided in Arlington, VA and is an elementary art teacher at Greenbriar East Elementary in Fairfax County for the last seven years.

The show will be at the Del Ray Artisans gallery at the Nicholas A. Colasanto Center, 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22301. The opening reception is on Friday, May 21 from 7pm to 10 pm. Gallery hours are: Thursdays, 12 noon to 4 pm; Fridays, 12 noon to 9 pm; Saturdays, 10 am to 9 pm; and Sundays, 12 noon to 6 pm. The gallery is free, open to the public and handicap accessible.

For more information, please visit www.TheDelRayArtisans.org or contact Amanda R. Wright at 703-501-6838 or arook20@gmail.com.

Del Ray Artisans, founded in 1992, is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote art for the benefit of artists and the community.

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