

# NEWS RELEASE

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Exhibition Dates: March 7 through April 24, 2008

Opening Reception: **Friday, March 7 from 5:00 - 7:00pm**

Exhibition Sponsors: Dan L Hiersche MD and Julie Carns

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Mon – Sat 11am-5pm

In the Main Gallery and on the Mezzanine:

## Play:

### Artists Look at Childhood

Michelle Elzinga

Jazno Francoeur

Catherine Haley Epstein

Sara Lanzillota

Beth Lo

Gary Oliveira

Alan Pace

John Sloan

Grace Weston

Ellen Wixted



Jazno Francoeur, *Doll Museum Series*  
#10, 20" x 26", C print

*PLAY: Artists Look at Childhood* is the second exhibition in Gallery One Visual Art Center's celebration of their 40th anniversary year. In this show, 10 artists examine or reflect upon their personal experiences of childhood: how memory lingers, how we enhance or diminish specific moments, and how these moments affect our feelings and end up defining us for the rest of our lives. The focus here is more nuance than trauma with consideration of the intense yearnings and longings fired by active imaginations or inexperienced references that a child feels. Many people carry with them the weight of disappointment and/or the confusion of adolescence that they felt at some point in their developing years. This exhibition explores those feelings with humor, nostalgia and bewilderment.

Also in the Main Gallery:

**Antique Tricycles** courtesy of the *Recycle Shop*

**The Apron Project** A collection of prose pieces by local writers on display with the 1950's aprons that inspired them.

In the Eveleth Green Gallery:

**Ti Moun: Children of Haiti** Photos by Marie Jose Durquet

Exhibition Dates: March 7 – March 29

Between 2003 and 2006, photographer Marie Jose



Marie Jose Durquet, *Haiti on the Edge*  
11"x16", C print

Durquet traveled to Haiti four times, for visits ranging from a few weeks to a few months. She initially went there to accompany her husband who worked as a pediatrician at the Albert Schweitzer Hospital, but was soon asked to do photo-documentation of the hospital and the surrounding community. This work brought her into contact with many segments of the population, particularly children who were patients at the hospital. Many of Haiti's children are affected by poverty, malnutrition, HIV, Tuberculosis and health problems rarely seen in the United States. But beyond the patients she encountered in the hospital, she also met children who were able to do what most people associate with childhood: playing with friends, going to school and participating in normal activities such as music and sports. This exhibition documents her travels to this country and the interactions she had with children who experience the best and worst of life at a very young age.

### In the Gallery One Courtyard:

#### **GUERRILLA POSTER ART**

Working collaboratively, 26 CWU students will display their new poster art on the exterior walls of Gallery One's courtyard. Their assignment was to pick a current events topic and express their ideas with images and text.

### Other March Events:

#### **Poetry Reading**

**Friday, March 21, 7:00 pm**

Local poets will gather again to continue the next installment of Gallery One Visual Art Center's monthly poetry reading series. In March, poets will read poems about their observations and surroundings. Admission is free and donations are optional.

*For more information about Gallery One events and programs, contact us at:  
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