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w paintings by URI professor exhibited at Main Gallery

RYN BARRALL Reporter

exhibit by the ity of Rhode Island's or Bob Dilworth, entiramed, Revisited, and ructed, is running b. 28 at the URI Main This exhibit marks time that this group is being shown. All of itings are representane artist's friends and and are themed nemory and journey. ording to Dilworth, ave been a lot of taking place in his vn, Lawrenceville,

inted to make a visuling of the changes happening [there]," vorth. "Part of this is ut changes in peo-

nterviewed friends ly, noting some of the first in his own mind n through photoperson is represented multiple times on the same, individual canvas. According to Dilworth, this represents, in some ways, memory, time and space.

"It has to do with personalities; the journey of personalities, personality changes," he said. "The idea; too, is to create this layering of personalities. They're kind of the same personality layered over one another."

Having an intimate and personal connection to your work is important in Dilworth's opinion.

"I really have to feel some kind of strong kinship with that person or that personality," he said. "There's got to be a sense of intimacy, a sense of knowing the person."

For instance, his painting 'Venus' depicts a friend who he has known for many years.

"It really comes from not just knowing her, but really being very close to her," he

intimately involved in whatever he or she is working on.

"It's multidimensional," he said. "Whatever all the emotional elements are, they're there, whatever the psychological elements are, they're there. All these things come together to create the work."

Dilworth said that the work is also just about the actual process.

"I really just get into the making of it, how it all comes together," he said.

A lot of layering is involved, in part because of the many stages that his paintings go through. Dilworth tirst creates the composition for an idea or an image, then "works out" the color scheme. After doing some sketching, he begins to put it together on canvas and starts painting.

"Once it starts to move beyond that stage," he said, "then I begin to look at'What do I want to sand?'
'What do I want to add?'"

Dilworth brings in many different elements, such as

rhinestones and fabric. He cuts materials up and glues them onto the canvas. For example, he includes flowers



CAMPUS

New student group talks issues about race, gender

BY LINDSAY ROSS Copy Editor

SHADES is a fairly new group on campus that provides a forum for discussing issues related to race, ethnicity, gender and sexuality. SHADES stands for Students Honoring, Advocating and Delivering Ethnic Self-Worth. Members of this group meet weekly to discuss topics surrounding race and gender.

SHADES is the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Center's diversity program. Discussion topics often include race and sexuality. Recent discussions included topics such as stereotypes and offensive jokes and words and offer ways to reclaim them. Discussion topics often relate to

upcoming holidays as well.

While each meeting features a discussion, group co-leader Marquel Wright tries to include fun and mature activities for members to enjoy as well.

"We try to make it fun and interactive," Wright said. "It is a group that you can be relaxed and have a good time."

The group is open to everyone and welcomes new members to participate in the discussion and activities each Monday at 6 p.m. Wright hopes to increase the group's membership and create a greater discussion each week.

"I would like a lot of different groups joining the discussion because I can see that making a really nice discussion," Wright said.

Seeker's meditation club provides calm sounds with gong bath, meditations

BY CONOR FAGAN Contributing News Reporter

The Gong Bath and Guided Meditation seminar held by the other musicians joined Doyle at the front of the room, playing guitar, chimes and other assorted percussions intermittently.

