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MONTEREY PENINSULA COLLEGE ART GALLERY

PRESENTS:

"Floating Beneath The Surface"

mixed media collage, paintings, and drawings

Dixie Salazar

LOCATION: MPC ART DEPARTMENT GALLERY, 980 FREMONT ST.,

MONTEREY

HOURS: MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, 11:00 - 4:00

(OR BY APPOINTMENT (CALL 646-3060)

RECEPTION: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9,12:30 – 2:00 PM

(ARTISTS' TALK 1:00 PM)

DIXIE SALAZAR shares her large, complex, colorful painted collages on canvas, and her vibrant colored pencil drawings. The pieces are full of multicultural symbolism, with densely-layered color, figurative elements, and subtle historical references. Narrative. Mysterious. Watery. Passionate. This solo exhibit features a rich array of intense colors with excellent painting technique, collaged images, observational drawing, and surprising symbols for viewers to discover. This dynamic, spiritual, and emotionally powerful exhibit will inspire discussions of love, fear, religion, loss, sensuality---all within human struggle AND human celebration. Combining large-scale figure drawing, art history, and Mexican art images, Salazar's creations are assembled together in fluid, dream-like scenes made more vital and visceral through superb painting and drawing.

Dixie Salazar is half Mexican-American, half European-American, originally from the Texas/Mexico border, and has lived in Fresno, CA most of her adult life. She is a retired professor of English Literature and Creative Writing at CSU Fresno but has also painted and drawn actively and prolifically for decades. Ms. Salazar has had gallery shows in

San Francisco and many other locations around CA and the U.S. She is a published novelist and poet. The exhibit will include some of her writing and books to peruse.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

MPC Daily Parking Passes are \$2.00. (two paper dollars)