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On Thursday, February 1, 2007, the Berkeley City College Digital Arts Club (BCCDAC) will premier its first photographers public exhibition at the 1947 Center Street Gallery sponsored by the Berkeley Civic Arts Commission. The show, featuring contemporary digital photography created by photographers affiliated with the Berkeley City College Multimedia Arts Department and will be jointly curated by Bijan Yasar and Alan Copeland. The New Digital Photography show will run for the month of February and is a part of the exciting new digital art work coming out of Berkeley City College and the Digital Arts Club. A reception will be held on Friday, February 2, 2007 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm in the gallery area.

The BCCDAC offers members the opportunity to collaborate on projects and to show their artwork at public exhibitions, private galleries and educational venues. The BCCDAC mission includes starting a permanent collection of work to be owned by the school and used for display. The BCCDAC also is engaged in showing video, animation, web and printmaking artwork as well as contemporary photography.

BCCDAC photographers use cutting edge photographic techniques and printing technology. Photography begins in the classic forms—images are taken by ready photographers, or are created in complex lighting and studio environments. The images are no longer developed in a dark room, but are completed through the use of editing software and ultimately printed with a variety of media including paper, canvas, fabric and even metal. The BCCDAC will make this photographic process (and other artwork) accessible to the community through exhibiting and educational programs.

The 1947 Center Street Gallery is a public space display area located in the lobby of the 1930s era building at 1947 Center Street, between Milvia Street and Martin Luther King. The photographs will be on view during regular building hours: 9 to 5 am, Monday through Friday.

For more information on the Berkeley City College Digital Arts Club please contact the President, Matthew Silverberg at 510/525-8247 or maxsilver@earthlink.net.

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