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Weber State's Shaw Gallery to bring new art exhibition to Ogden's Dumke Arts Plaza

OGDEN, Utah — Weber State University's Mary Elizabeth Dee Shaw Gallery is bringing a new collaborative exhibition featuring dance, film and photography to the Dumke Arts Plaza on Oct. 6.

Coincidences is an interdisciplinary multimedia project and contemporary movement experience exploring shared isolation, concepts of sensory stimulation and informed trauma that impacts the human experience.

The exhibition will run from Oct. 6 to April 30, 2024 with **live performances on Oct. 6 and Nov. 3 at 7:30 p.m.** at the plaza, which is located at 445 25th St. in Ogden. These performances are free and open to the public. The collaborative partners for this exhibition are jo Blake, Cam McLeod, Dylan Totaro, WSU's Dance Program and the Shaw Gallery.

Lydia Gravis, gallery director for Shaw Gallery, said she is thrilled to elevate Ogden's art scene with *Coincidences* at Dumke Arts Plaza.

"*Coincidences* gives poetic form to our human desire for belonging and connection," Gravis said. "Using visual and performing arts as a conduit for creative expression, this collaborative exhibition invites community members to contemplate their individual experiences of isolation, and the potential to dissolve illusions of 'otherness' by recognizing our common humanity."

Shaw Gallery is committed to curating quality outdoor, rotating exhibitions at the Dumke Arts Plaza in partnership with Ogden City. These exhibitions showcase the work of regional, national and international artists and share world-class art with the community in a dynamic, outdoor civic space.

Continuous support from Dr. Ezekiel R. and Edna Wattis Dumke Foundation, Weber County RAMP, Ogden City Arts, the Austad Endowment for Visual Arts and the Utah Division of Arts & Museums provides these opportunities to the community for free.

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ABOUT MARY ELIZABETH DEE SHAW GALLERY

The Mary Elizabeth Dee Shaw Gallery at Weber State University presents contemporary art exhibitions and educational programs that provide visitors access to the art of our times. The Shaw gallery aspires to engage a diverse audience, create a sense of community, provide insight into the creative process and challenge visitors to contemplate, discuss and understand the historical, social and cultural context of contemporary art.

It serves the Department of Visual Art and Design, Weber State University, and the community of Northern Utah by presenting the work of local, regional and nationally recognized artists, including new work, emerging media and original scholarship.