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### **SUFFOLK ART GALLERY AREA VARIATIONS EXHIBIT**

SUFFOLK, VA (September 10, 2012) The Suffolk Art Gallery and the Suffolk Art League are pleased to announce the opening of the Area Variations exhibit, featuring the Virginia Commonwealth University Master of Interdisciplinary Studies in Art. The exhibition reception is scheduled for Saturday, September 15, 2012, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Suffolk Art Gallery, located at 118 Bosley Avenue. The exhibit will be on display through October 26, 2012.

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The exhibition will feature 10 artists from Hampton Roads who are part of the Master of Interdisciplinary Studies in Art degree program at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia. This program enables off-campus students to earn a graduate degree in studio art practice by taking courses offered across the region in a variety of locations. It is a specific Master's Degree that allows students to engage with their work on a deeper level and to achieve a greater degree of critical thinking. Most students may attain the MIS degree while holding down fulltime employment. The MIS program is administered through the School of the Arts and the offices of Off-Campus Graduate Art and the Division of Community Engagement. For more information on the program visit <http://www.community.vcu.edu/programs/gradart/>.

The Suffolk Art Gallery is open Tuesday through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. Starting Thursday, September 13, 2012, the Suffolk Art Gallery will extend operating hours on Thursday evenings until 8 p.m. as part of their "Thursdays 'Til 8" program.

For more information on the exhibit, contact the Suffolk Art Gallery at 757-514-7284.

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