

Tubach art show to feature pieces from father and - Omaha World-Herald: Web Edition Articles (NE) - October 6, 2016

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During family trips around the world, Lisa Tubach would sketch her surroundings in imitation of her father, Omaha artist Allan Tubach.

"I still have sketchbooks of those trips," she said.

Back then she was just a little girl mirroring her father's passion for art. Today she is a professional artist and associate professor at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Virginia. She has shown her work in 14 solo exhibitions in the U.S. and another in Arbroath, Scotland.

Her father has more than 50 years of experience in the art community, including international and national showings of more than 900 paintings. He spent 23 years as an artist at The World-Herald.

But for the first time, the artists will show their work together as father and daughter.

"Tubach + Tubach: Preservation" opens to the public on Friday at **Gallery 1516** in Omaha.

Don't expect to see similar pieces from these two. Each artist has a distinct style and inspiration. In fact, they've never collaborated on a piece.

"She may have garnered something from me by watching me paint, but she was always her own person," Allan said.

Lisa Tubach's canvas and paper paintings splice art and the environment together as a response to ecological issues including strip mining, ocean health and chemical use. Allan Tubach's work is a collage of window reflections, neon lights and street signs seen around historical and contemporary buildings.

"We've never worked on the same subject matter," Allan Tubach said. "We've always gone our own way."

The only similarity in their work is the theme of preservation: Allan's interest is preserving architecture, and Lisa's is the environment.

The exhibit will be a mix of new and old art from both artists.

Allan's painting "Ode to the Corner" is just one of the pieces on display. It shows a reflection through a window at Nouvelle Eve that captures elements of the corner of 11th and Howard Streets before the M's Pub fire on Jan. 9.

Allan said he has enjoyed the leisure of painting pieces for businesses, including the Holland Performing Arts Center and Bryan Medical Center in Lincoln — something that has kept him away from showing an exhibition for almost a decade.

Lisa Tubach said she feels blessed to do this with her dad, and he agrees.

"The spark hit. Gosh, maybe we should have another show," Allan Tubach said. "We will see."

Tubach + Tubach: Preservation

What: an exhibition of artwork from Allan and Lisa Tubach

Where: **Gallery 1516, 1516** Leavenworth St.

When: A members-only opening will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday. The exhibition is open to the public Friday through Nov. 27 during **gallery** business hours: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday through Sunday, with extended hours on the first Friday — and by appointment.

Admission: free; contact patrick@gallery1516.org for more information

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