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OC photography students, faculty to display works at annual 'High and Dry' exhibition at Texas Tech University

ODESSA (Nov. 24, 2008) – Odessa College photography student and faculty works will be on display in the 8th annual “High and Dry: A Photographic Exhibition of Peoples and Places of the World’s Dry Lands” at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

OC photography majors Abby Benizio, Julian Mancha, Kayla Holsworth and Amy Stoker each have one photograph in the competition along with OC adjunct faculty members Kirk Williams, Beckwith Thompson and OC photography chair Steve Goff.

All accepted participants were part of the OC photography program’s summer landscape trip to northern New Mexico this past August. All of the accepted works were created during the week-long trip to photograph the landscape and visit photography museums and galleries in Santa Fe. Students and faculty will attend the opening reception in Lubbock on Friday, Dec. 5.

One hundred and forty-one photographers from across the United States and Canada submitted a total of 499 images to “High and Dry: A Photographic Exhibition of Peoples and Places of the World’s Dry Lands.” The annual juried photo competition is sponsored by The CH Foundation and Texas Tech’s Office of International Affairs and International Center for Arid and Semiarid Land Studies.

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This year's juror was D. Clarke Evans, president of the Texas Photographic Society.

Subjects in the 80-image exhibition range from the desert oases of Egypt to workers in China's semiarid cotton-growing region to the people, animals and landscapes of the American Southwest.

The exhibition is on display from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed during TTU holidays) now through Thursday, Jan. 15, 2009, at Texas Tech's International Cultural Center, 601 Indiana, Lubbock, Texas.

The opening reception will be from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5 at the International Cultural Center. During the reception, internationally known photographer and educator Keith Carter will give a talk in the auditorium at 6 p.m., after which he will sign copies of his latest book, *A Certain Alchemy* (TTU Press).

For more information, call OC photography chair Steve Goff at 335-6497 or Texas Tech's International Cultural Center at (806) 742-2974.