Sac State art exhibit reveals late professor’s ‘Impact’

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During his 14 years at Sac State, Emeritus Art Professor Daniel Frye produced beautiful work in jewelry and small metals, and inspired students to follow their own creative spirit and artistic endeavors.

Frye died last July, and his works, as well as those of his students, will be displayed in “Moments of Impact.” The free exhibit runs Monday, Oct. 27, to Friday, Nov. 21, at Kadema Hall’s Robert Else Gallery. His work and memory will be celebrated during a reception from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6. Regular gallery hours are noon-4:30 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays.

The professor’s body of work consists of both sculptural and jewelry forms created from metal. The exhibit will feature a wide range of the professor’s work – small vessels, jewelry, larger suspended works, small figure sculptures and even sketches.

Student works will represent a variety of techniques Frye taught at Sacramento State, highlighting the range of metalsmithing techniques and applications.

Frye joined Sacramento State’s Art Department faculty in 2000. He served as chair for two terms between 2007 and 2013; made connections with galleries in the community, which led to student exhibits off campus; and was a juror for the California State Fair Art Show, among many other accomplishments.

For the 2010-11 academic year, Frye received the College of Arts and Letters Teacher of the Year award. It was one of several honors he received over the years, such as the Outstanding Junior Faculty Teaching Award at the University of Missouri-Columbia in 1993, and a 1999 general excellence award at the Newburyport Art Association Craft Exhibition.

Current Sac State Art Chair Catherine Turrill credits Frye with turning around the jewelry courses. “He created a very strong community in that program,” she says.

For more information about the exhibit, visit www.al.csus.edu/art or call (916) 278-6166. For media assistance, call the University’s Public Affairs office at (916) 278-6156. – Craig Koscho