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**08.06.2007 | Fine Arts, Campus and Community** "Highly Favored: Contemporary Images of the Virgin Mary" features 36 pieces in a variety of media from photography to sculpture. The exhibit is produced by Christians in the Visual Arts, a national organization that promotes relationship between the visual arts and the Christian faith.

Mary is honored in Christian tradition not only for her role as mother of Jesus, but also for her life of service and her expression of faith. The University of Dayton was founded by the Society of Mary, which honors her spirituality.

In the exhibit, artists from various faiths explore the many different roles and aspects of the young Jewish woman who was declared by the archangel Gabriel to be "highly favored." On Aug. 15 throughout the world, many Christians celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin, as an observance of Mary's ascent to heaven.

The exhibit is on display in the gallery on the main floor of the Roesch Library through during library hours.

The works range from highly abstract to figurative and each artist has written a statement explaining their particular work.

The exhibit is free and open to the public. For a schedule of Roesch Library hours call 937-229-4270.