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Cristi Rinklin: Nuvolomondo
Public Opening Reception: Friday, September 8, 6:00-8:30pm

Medford, MA - The Tufts University Art Gallery proudly presents Nuvolomondo, the first site-specific installation by Boston painter Cristi Rinklin, commissioned for the Harry Remis Sculpture Court at the Aidekman Arts Center at Tufts.

Culling imagery from sources as varied as Rococo art, cellular biology, natural history illustration, cosmological phenomena, and decorative patterns, Rinklin’s lush environment depicts a world based on real objects and pictorial traditions, altered by technology, and completed by the imagination of the artist. Inspired by her recent Visiting Artist and Scholar Residency at the American Academy in Rome, Rinklin’s “cloud-world” installation is a “techno-ornate” burst of color and form. A contemporary interpretation of Baroque ornament, architectural details, and stained glass panels, the installation is an enveloping and stimulating experience that changes form and mood throughout the day.

In Nuvolomondo, Rinklin has conceived a large-scale composition derived from her approach to painting and executed in various media. In this project, digital production and hand-painting are combined. Rinklin scans appropriated images, digitally manipulates and combines them, and bases her painterly images on the results. Digitally printed Duraclear panels are mounted into the windows on the ground level of the sculpture court. Other window sections in the lower level of the Court are embellished with ornate stenciled vinyl. The undulating lines and cumulus-shaped puffs of color in her window panels are echoed in a two-tone painted mural on the adjacent walls.

A brochure accompanies the exhibition. Cristi Rinklin is Assistant Professor of Studio Art at the College of Holy Cross, Worcester, MA. Partial funding for the exhibition and brochure is provided by Holy Cross.

The Tufts University Art Gallery animates the intellectual life of the greater university community through exhibitions and programs exploring new, global perspectives on art and on art discourse. The gallery is located in the Aidekman Arts Center on the Tufts University Medford campus. The Gallery is fully accessible and admission is free. Academic year hours (September-December) are 11am to 5 pm Tuesday through Sunday and Thursdays until 8 pm. While the galleries are closed during the month of August, the Remis Sculpture Court is in the Aidekman Arts Center and is accessible seven days a week in August during the day. Day-time visitor parking is available in metered spaces on Latin Way Road and in the Dowling Hall parking garage at 419 Boston Avenue. Free event parking is available in the Jackson Lot behind the Aidekman Arts Center, off Lower Campus Road. Visit our website: www.ase.tufts.edu/gallery or call 617-627-3518 for more information.