

Mulvane Art Museum features the art of Rita Blitt

In conjunction with the First Friday Art Walk, Washburn University's Mulvane Art Museum will host a special reception for world-renowned artist Rita Blitt and her husband Irwin from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 4, at the Mulvane Art Museum.

The exhibition "Dance of the Line: Rita Blitt in Motion" includes 17 works of art from the Mulvane Art Museum's collection. The exhibition explores Blitt's passion for incorporating line and movement in her work.

"Rita's use of line is an integral part of her visual vocabulary," says Connie Gibbons, director of the Mulvane. "She expresses joy through line and each work suggests a spontaneous gesture that evokes her enthusiasm for nature and life."

In October 2016, Blitt and her husband gifted a significant portion of her life's work to the Mulvane. In addition, they made a contribution for a Rita Blitt Archive Gallery. This exhibition, that includes drawings and sculpture, is a small part of the permanent collection of her life's work that will be housed permanently in the Mulvane.

Blitt's work bridges the world of visual art, music and dance and creates unique opportunities to explore and celebrate art where vision, sound and movement intersect. Blitt has had more than 70 solo exhibitions. Her work can be seen in the collection of the Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art, the Kemper Museum



'Seeking Truth' by Rita Blitt.

of Contemporary Art, Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art, the John F. Kennedy Museum, the National Museum of Singapore and many others. Her sculptures have been installed in multiple Kansas City locations

and throughout the world. Blitt's art was recently featuring on the cover of The Kansas City Jewish Chronicle's special Rosh Hashanah magazine.

The reception is free and open to the public.