Xavier's art department and Fotofocus Cincinnati present exhibits of and by local photographers

The exhibits are on display in the Xavier Art Gallery at the A. B. Cohen Center until Oct. 26

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Xavier’s Department of Art is teaming up with Fotofocus Cincinnati to present three new exhibits, Photographers x Photographers, After Life and Xavier Arts Students. An opening night reception was held with the artists on Saturday, Oct. 6, in the gallery at the A. B. Cohen Center to kick off the exhibits, which run through Friday, Oct. 26.

Photographers move from behind the lens to the other side in Photographers x Photographers. Sixty local artists, including Xavier’s Director of Photography Greg Rust, collaborated to make this exhibit possible. Using various disciplines, including journalism, portraiture and fine art, the photographers employed unique ways to expand their knowledge and find inspiration throughout the collaboration.

After Life by Connie Sullivan is a photo-based installation that tackles the subject of death and what happens to us after we die, with somber and comic interpretations. Sullivan’s work has been displayed in numerous exhibitions worldwide and can be found in museums and private collections both in America and abroad. Sullivan has received fellowships for her work from the Ohio Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts. In 1983 she published a book of her work titled Petroglyphs of the Heart.

The third leg of the collaboration is an exhibit on the third floor of the Gallagher Student Center of the works of three 2012 art graduates—Emily Berg, Kimberly Figgins and Alexa Von Bargen.

The public is invited to a panel discussion on “The Future of Photography” on Wednesday Oct. 24, in the Xavier University Art Gallery from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. with photographers Tony Arrasmith, Samantha Grier and Rust.

The gallery exhibits are free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Free parking is available adjacent to the gallery at the A.B. Cohen Center.

Learn more about Fotofocus Cincinnati at the group’s website.