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“Crossing the Line”

Abstracts and Sculpture Visit the Ice House

(Mayfield, KY) The Ice House at 120 North 8th St. will be exhibiting *Lineation* the latest art by Jason Hargrove, during the month of May. Yet again, Hargrove combines technology with art to create striking paintings. His life size moose sculpture is still on exhibit in the front garden and serves as an introduction to other Hargrove sculptures inside the gallery.

Hargrove, a Graves County native, resides in Murray and is completing his Bachelor’s degree at Murray State University. He has a degree in desktop publishing from West Kentucky Tech, an Associates degree in Aviation Maintenance Technology from the Community College of the Air Force, and a Certification from the Tennessee State Blacksmith and Farrier School.

Hargrove applies all his life experiences to create art. He previously owned a vinyl sign business in Mayfield, Sign Forge, before his enlistment in the United States Air Force. He uses the vinyl sign equipment to experience new levels within his art by experimenting with different applications. He calls on his blacksmith skills and experience as a Farrier to create elaborate sculptures.

“With *Lineation* I’m looking at the ways lines interact with one another and the emotions they evoke to the viewer both in my abstract paintings and in my sculptures.” Hargrove said “In most of the pieces I start out with a written plan, specific colors and brushes, and a set pattern I will repeat. Early on, I painted each line with a brush as you can see in *Paralyzed*. With the later pieces I made use of technology, borrowing from my previous body of work *En Route*. I drew the lines on the computer first and then plotted them on a vinyl film. I either used the vinyl as a stencil or by laying it on by itself. Sometimes the pieces are layered vinyl and sometimes they are vinyl layered with acrylic paint.”

The exhibit will be on display from May 5 – May 30, 2009. The opening Reception will be May 8th from 6 - 7:30 p.m. Please join us for refreshments and to meet the artist. The Ice House, located at 120 North 8th St., is open to the public Tuesday through Friday 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. You can call 270-247-6971 for more information.

Please call Star Hargrove at 270-978-5099 for further information concerning Jason Hargrove.

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