

Gallery G presents...



Alumni Series:

***More than Half a Century
of Discovering Art*** by Cheryll Bowman '65

Walking up the patch to Cheryll Bowman's front door, you glimpse the magic that awaits you beyond. The landscaped plants, the garden statues, and even the placement of the flagstones are clearly chosen for the joy and beauty they bring to this part of the world. Entering Bowman's home, you are surrounded by even more of her creativity—from the pieces of furniture designed by her late father, to the mural she painted from floor to ceiling in her orchid house. Like the life she leads, Bowman's art illustrates her lifelong journey to fill the world with color and just plain fun.

Bowman's accomplishments give a whole new perspective to the idea of making our lives intentionally stand apart from the norm; they are a guide of something extraordinary to strive for. Her art carries the stories of many of parts of her life, from her pieces of pottery thrown during her days at Manchester College to the wagon paintings that echo back to her youth.

In this exhibit, you will witness the evolution of a lifetime of exploring new media and discovering that art is *everywhere* in life. In her present home, in Huntertown, Ind., Bowman's discoveries come in many forms and continue to this day. In addition to her many other talents, Cheryll Bowman is an avid orchid grower, delighting in beauty of nature, as well as art.

A graduate of Manchester College, Cheryll Bowman '65 educated elementary school students of Fort Wayne, Ind., for four decades. She grew up around horses and has incorporated that love into many of her pieces.

Since retiring from teaching full time, she has spent many months volunteering with the DeKalb County Horsemen's Association and Draft Animal Museum. She is their artist-in-residence assisting with the design and painting of refurbished wagons and other equipment.



Alumni Series Exhibitions



In the University tradition of celebrating alumni achievements, Manchester University Galleries features an *Alumni Series*. In these special exhibitions, we feature the artistic accomplishments of graduates, and we invite the community to celebrate as we honor our alumni. Over the years, MU Galleries have featured a variety of alumni artists such as Phil Joseph '64, Susan Joseph '65, Phyllis Thomas '66, Karen Klimpert '85, Ron Weaver '61, Thelma S. Rohrer '84, and Amós Rodriquez '06.

The arts are an important component of education and life at Manchester University, and we have an established creative legacy that continues to thrive. The *Alumni Series* exhibitions remind us of the power of the arts, giving all who participate, as artist or viewer, the chance to become students again. What lesson can art teach us? To develop a global perspective, to encourage intellectual curiosity and creativity, and to celebrate the beauty and life surrounding us. In this spirit, we welcome you and encourage you to participate in our latest *Alumni Series* exhibition.

Gallery G hours are M-F 8 a.m.–5 p.m., Sun. 12–3 p.m. , when classes are in session.



All gallery events are free and open to the public. For information, contact Ejenobo Oke, Director of Galleries, 260-982-5334, eroke@manchester.edu.