



## Media Release

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### **Celebrating the Female Form: Drawing, Painting and Sculpture Group Exhibit Opens at the Petaluma Airport Muse Gallery December 4**

*Celebrating the Female Form: Drawing, Painting and Sculpture*, a group exhibition focusing on capturing the essence of the female figure in drawing, painting and sculpture, opens at the Airport Muse Gallery at the Petaluma Municipal Airport on Saturday, December 4, 5-8pm.

While the exhibit features leading Northern California figure artists, a portion of the show is devoted to emerging artists and includes the work of promising art students at leading California universities and art schools. The event is sponsored in part by the Petaluma Arts Council.

The gallery is still considering artists for inclusion in the exhibit and will consider submissions through Friday, November 5.

Airport Muse Gallery curator and award-winning aerial photographer, Herb Lingl, notes that "We are fortunate to have some of the leading Bay Area figure artists share their artistic vision at this airport exhibit."

Numerous Northern California businesses have donated prizes for the raffle taking place toward the conclusion of the reception. Raffle proceeds benefit the Petaluma Arts Council and the Western Horizon Flying Museum, dedicated to keeping historical aircraft flying.

"The diversity of the pilot community at the Petaluma airport is one of the unique aspects of this particular airport," notes Bob Patterson, airport manager of the Petaluma Municipal Airport. "Having a fine art gallery here adds another dimension to the remarkable story of the Petaluma Airport." Petaluma was the site of the very first airmail delivery of a letter from one postmaster to another in 1911, and has a colorful history as it evolved into its present form.

Known as one of the most vibrant general aviation airports in the world, the airport is home to unique aircraft owned by a diverse group of individuals ranging from retired airline pilots to experimental aircraft builders and designers and foreign nationals who enjoy the added freedom of aviation in the United States.

For additional information about the Airport Muse Gallery or the opening reception on December 4, 2010, please visit [www.airportmuse.com](http://www.airportmuse.com).