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## The Williams College Museum of Art Presents Plead the Fifth: Senior Studio Art Exhibition May 15-June 7, 2015

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Williamstown, Mass. –The Williams College Museum of Art (WCMA) presents *Plead the Fifth: Senior Studio Art Exhibition*, on view from May 15 through June 7, featuring the work of five Williams College studio art majors: Parmalier Arrington, Quinn Griffin, Sara Muñoz, Cary Wade, and Madison Weist. The senior studio exhibition celebrates the culmination of each artist's senior project. It opens with a free, public reception on Friday, May 15 at the museum, beginning at 7:00 pm. All are invited to attend.

The five students enrolled in the Senior Studio Seminar this semester produced self-initiated pieces. Madison Weist applies the ancient technique of encaustic painting to contemporary abstract compositions, on various supports. Cary Wade exhibits an installation contemplating additive erasure and the power of scale. Sara Muñoz concentrates her efforts on fortuitous finds and juxtaposing imagery in her collages. Quinn Griffin models a 3D environment for the attendees of the exhibition to explore, on the computer. Parmalier Arrington's sculptures take human form from found objects. Four of the five students have repurposed found materials for the exhibition. All have explored

formal concerns, seeking truth and beauty, without loosing sight of the important role humor plays in art.

## Williams College Museum of Art

WCMA sparks new ways of thinking about art and the visual world through its innovative exhibitions, programs, publications and projects. At the heart of the Williams College campus the museum draws on the collaborative and multidisciplinary ethos of the surrounding college to enliven the more than 14,000 works in its growing collection. The museum and its collection is a catalyst for student learning and community engagement. WCMA is free and open to all. The museum is located on Main Street in Williamstown, Massachusetts and open from 10 am to 5 pm, closed Wednesdays. Beginning in June the museum will be open every day from 10 am to 5 pm and Thursdays 10 am to 8 pm. For more information, contact the museum at 413–597–2429 or visit wcma.williams.edu.

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