

**PRESS RELEASE**

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**Event:** “Exploring the *New*”

**When:** Thursday, January 5, 2012, 5:30 pm

**Where:** Court House Cultural Center, 80 East Ocean Blvd., Stuart

**Who:** The Arts Council, Inc.

**Stuart, FL:** The Arts Council of Martin County presents a facilitated discussion with four Treasure Coast artists on Thursday, January 5, 2012 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., in an exploration of the “*New*” exhibit currently on display at the Court House Cultural Center, 80 E. Ocean Blvd, downtown Stuart. The Court House Cultural Center gallery is open from 5-8 pm as a participating gallery in the monthly First Thursday Gallery Nights promotion.

The *New* artists, **Joe Apicella (Gentry), Marcia K Moore, Virginie Goffin, and Rochelle Reinhard** will discuss their inspiration and the process of creating behind their works. Curator, Debra Magrann, will moderate the discussion.

*The “New” is designed to encourage new work and enhance the Court House Cultural Center’s reputation as an arts venue. Presented in an innovative manner, the “New” hopes to reach an untapped cross section of first-time visitors while seeking to broaden traditional audiences’ view of emerging art.*

The “*New*” exhibition continues through February 3, 2012.

The Arts Council is the designated local arts agency for Martin County. The Arts Council provides services to visual and performing artists, arts organizations, students and the public and strives to instill a passion for and participation in the arts. For more information, please call 772-287-6676 or visit [www.martinarts.org](http://www.martinarts.org).

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