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A Classical Rebirth

Ricardo Montalvan's exhibit, *A Classical Rebirth* is showing at the Covey Center in the Eccles gallery from January 6 to February 23, 2012. Opening reception will be held on January 6 from 6 – 9 p.m.

Ricardo Montalvan was born in Guayaquil, Ecuador. He immigrated with his family to Utah in 1996. Since that time he has studied at Utah Valley University and independently. Montalvan says of his independent study, "(It was) a lot of reading and studying the old masters through library books, documentaries and the internet."

He draws his inspiration from the Baroque Era and the masters of this style; Jan Van Eyck, Caravaggio, Rubens, Velazquez, Vermeer, Ruisdael, Peter Claesz and Heda. "Their influence on me is very palpable in my work," he continues, "I love the feeling they brought to their art, and their dedication, which I try to emulate."

Gallery hours are 10 a.m.- 6 p.m., Monday - Thursday and 10 a.m.- 2 p.m., Friday. You can visit this exhibit at the Covey Center for the Arts, located at 425 West Center in downtown Provo. You can also call our box office at 801.852.7007 or visit our website, www.coveycenter.org for more information.

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