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Anne Appleby: Here We Are July 7 - November 22, 2009

Artini: Mastering Somersaults, August 20, 5:30-9 pm
Artist Gallery Talk with Kerri Rosenstein: August 20, 7 pm

Missoula, MT / April 20, 2009/ Missoula Art Museum (MAM) / Internationally known artist Anne Appleby will be featured in the Lynda M. Frost Contemporary American Indian Art Gallery from July 7 through November 22. Appleby's luminous, oil and wax paintings communicate through the formal language of color-field abstraction. Taking the viewer beyond this initial reference, the artist transforms what at a glance appear to be monochromatic panels, revealing subtly enlivened surfaces with incandescent layers of muted color. Each painting has been built up through many applications of varied translucent tones.

The exhibition will showcase several important early works, accentuating the development and approach of this celebrated artist. Appleby's work has always been reductive of and clearly inspired by the natural world. This natural inspiration speaks directly to her Native American heritage. MAM is proud this exhibition, which celebrates the gift of works that the artist has made to MAM.

Appleby received her BFA from The University of Montana and her MFA from the San Francisco Art Institute. She has been the recipient of many prestigious grants and awards, including a grant from the Pollock Krasner Foundation, a SECA Art Award from the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, and a Western States Art Federation award.

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