RIVIER COLLEGE ART GALLERY PRESENTING EXHIBITION FEATURING BIBLICAL WORKS BY MARC CHAGALL

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Now through March 2, 2012, the Rivier College Art Gallery is presenting the exhibition "Marc Chagall and the Bible," featuring etchings and lithographs by Marc Chagall, a world-renowned pioneer of Modernism in art.

"This work immersed Chagall in religiously universal explorations of dignity, respect, and tolerance that for the remainder of his life would characterize Biblically inspired images, many of them considered his most moving and original contributions to the visual arts," comments Sister Theresa Couture, p.m., Director of the Rivier College Art Gallery.

This exhibition, on loan from a private collection, combines selections from Chagall's early Biblical etchings with lithographs from a suite of Biblical images produced in the 1960's. He had begun this artwork in the 1930's when he accepted a commission to illustrate the Old Testament of the Bible.



During his artistic career, Chagall created works in a number of artistic media, including painting, book illustration, stained glass, stage setting, ceramics, tapestry, and fine art printmaking. Historically, his art synthesizes the principles of Cubism, Symbolism, and Fauvism.

Members of the public are invited to a gallery talk about this exhibition on February 23, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.

The Rivier College Art Gallery showcases the accomplishments of nationally and internationally acclaimed artists and craftpersons, as well as works from the collections of distinguished art museums, galleries, and private collectors. The gallery is located on the second floor of Memorial Hall and is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m.-8:30 p.m., and on Fridays from 10 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

For more information on the Rivier College Art Gallery, visit www.rivier.edu/artgallery.

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