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ORANGE WEDGE is part of the printmaking exhibit at MCC on Main.

Printmakers At MCC On Main

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Since opening in September, MCC on Main has quickly become a destination for area residents, along with their families and friends, to experience the arts in a convenient downtown Manchester setting.

MCC on Main occupies 7,000 square feet of newly renovated, modern space and is now home to an art and video gallery, a small cafe with free Wi-Fi access, and seminar and conference rooms for classes and event-related

programming.

The focal point of MCC on Main is the art gallery named in memory of Adolf and Virginia Dehn by the Dehn Foundation. The foundation was established by Virginia Dehn to promote the arts and is now administered by Virginia's niece and nephews whose father, Frederick Lowe Jr., served as Manchester Community College's first president.

The gallery's exhibition schedule has been developed to showcase a wide range of contemporary art forms and to feature the work of both established and emerging regional artists. The current exhibition, spectacular prints by artists from the Printmakers' Network of Southern New England, is now on display through June 22. The network was formed in 1992 with support from the Connecticut Commission on the Arts to encourage experimentation and artistic collaboration among regional artists working in print.

Other events have been scheduled including open-mic sessions, spoken word and music series, book-to-film series and live musical performances. All events are free and open to the public, unless otherwise noted.

MCC on Main, the Manchester Community College Arts and Education . Center, is at 903 Main St. in Manchester. For more information, call 860-647-6030 or visit www.mcc.commnet.edu/mccon-main.