

Black Swamp Arts Festival  
2010 Juror's Statements

**Mania Dajnak**

Mania Dajnak is an adjunct art instructor at the University of Toledo and at Owens Community College and teaches Drawing, 2-D Design, Art History, and Art Appreciation. Dajnak also owns Studio M Printmakers, print studio and gallery in downtown Toledo. Dajnak concentrates her work on prints and drawings that are centered on intuitive explorations of architectural elements. Her collaged pieces focus on the placement of recycled and recovered fragments from lithographs, etchings, woodcuts, and screen prints. Represented in the layers of images, the lines, shapes, and spaces are reflections and symbolic references to architectural environments and cityscapes.

**Gregg Luginbuhl**

Chair of the art department at Bluffton College, Gregg Luginbuhl teaches ceramics, sculpture, photography, 3-D design, and leads travel seminars. Winner of the 2010 Ohio Designer Craftsman, Phyllis Clark Award for Excellence in Functional Ceramics, Luginbuhl assembles pieces constructed from wheel-thrown and hand built parts when the clay is in the leather-hard stage. Evolving from the energy of the potters' whorl, clay slabs, texture stampings, coils, lattice, and graphic elements he creates an ephemeral combination of form, color, texture, and movement in his works.

**Pamela Morris Thomford**

Pamela Morris Thompson an independent jeweler and metalsmith, winner of numerous awards, has been exhibited widely, both nationally and internationally in exhibitions from San Francisco to New York, Norway to Japan. Each of Thompson's works tells a story, visually. Some of these narratives are lengthy; others make only a brief comment. Some deal with matters weighing heavy on the human heart; others jest light heartedly. All are intended, however, to transcend generation, race and religion; all are intended to remind us of our similarities-our common and shared humanity