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Beyond Real: Photographs by Gale Nobes and Paintings by Adam Tetzlaff
Opens Friday, Sept. 3 at the Ludington Area Center for the Arts

LUDINGTON— The contrast between surreal photography and photorealistic painting is on view in the exhibition, *Beyond Real*, featuring the photography of Gale Nobes and the paintings of Adam Tetzlaff. The exhibition opens Friday, Sept. 3 at 7 p.m. with a reception and talk by both artists. The show runs through Sat., Oct. 2.

“We selected these artists to show together because they each begin with the world we know, but in different ways take their images into other realms that suggests more. What that ‘more’ is, the viewer is left to decipher,” explains Rebecca Mott chair of the Center’s Visual Arts Committee.

Gale Nobes is a Muskegon-based photographer who has exhibited in solo and group shows extensively in West Michigan, as well as in other parts of the state. Working digitally in the infrared spectrum, Nobes illuminates the beauty of his subjects in a way that both captures and surpasses reality. He was the first place winner in two statewide photo competitions held at the Newaygo County Council for the Arts Artsplace in Fremont. His other awards include the Patrick J. O’Leary Purchase Award at the Muskegon Museum of Art’s 2008 West Michigan Regional Show and the Bill Pieri Photography Award at the 2009 Festival of the Arts in Grand Rapids.

Adam Tetzlaff, who resides in Lowell, creates intriguing contradictions. His landscapes can seem monumental but are painted on small canvases. He uses paint, but the resulting images have the clarity of a photograph. His subjects are modern, but often have historic references. Tetzlaff has exhibited in galleries and museums in West Michigan. In addition to awards at juried regional exhibitions, Tetzlaff was included in a group exhibition, *4 Under 40: Emerging Artists of West Michigan* at the Grand Rapids Art Museum in 2005.

The exhibition may be viewed during business hours, which are Tuesday-Saturday, 12-5:30 p.m. For more information, contact the Ludington Area Center for the Arts at 231-845-2787 or through its website: www.ludingtonartscouncil.org. The Center is at 107 S. Harrison in the historic former home of the United Methodist Church in downtown Ludington. Parking for Center events is available in the public lot south of the Center at the corner of Harrison and Loomis streets.

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