



The Sea Islands Center Gallery at the University of South Carolina Beaufort is pleased to present an exhibition featuring the work of sculptor and installation artist Jarod Charzewski, currently on display through November 2nd.

The exhibition features three large-scale artworks, most of which will be shown for the first time. *Mapgasteroid* is a steel armature covered with decompressed map cylinders and *Fender Bender* is a steel armature covered in new, unused bicycle fenders. Protective pipe ends, donated by Boeing, are incorporated into an installation.

Jarod Charzewski grew up in the inner city of Winnipeg where the attitudes and esthetics of an urban setting took hold. He also spent time on a family farm in rural Manitoba. This combination of surroundings is where he gained appreciation for natural and manufactured landscapes. He fuels his art with visuals of changing landscapes and recreates aesthetics that investigate mankind's evolving influence. Artistically he uses these sensations to release ethereality in site-specific experiences.

He holds a BFA from the University of Manitoba (1996) and an MFA from the University of Minnesota (2005). He has received artist grants from several US and Canadian arts

organizations including the Manitoba Arts Council and the Canada Council for the Arts and received a Puffin Award for the environmental content of his work. He has exhibited across the US and Canada including such venues as the Grand Canyon National Park site specific installation, Le Biennale de Montreal in Montreal Quebec, and the Bunnell Arts Center in Homer, Alaska. And in Spring of 2018 he had a mid-career retrospective at the Begovich Gallery at the University of Southern California, Fullerton. He currently holds the position of Associate Professor at the College of Charleston in Charleston, South Carolina. For more information about the artist, see his website at jarodcharzewski.com.

About the Sea Islands Center Gallery

The Sea Islands Center Gallery is the art gallery of the Department of Visual Art & Design of the University of South Carolina Beaufort and is located on the Beaufort campus in the Sea Islands Center building. Since 2012, the gallery has hosted visiting artists, traveling exhibitions, group exhibitions, and shows of student work. The mission of the gallery is to promote the academic and creative programming goals of the Department of Visual Art & Design and to serve as a catalyst of creative inquiry and exploration within the Beaufort community. The current directors of the Sea Islands Center Gallery are Ann Holderfield and Chad Penner. Sea Islands Center Gallery is located at 1106 Carteret St, Beaufort.