



The Humboldt Arts Council
in the Morris Graves Museum of Art

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Exhibition Headline: Melissa Chandon *Landmarks*

Exhibition Dates: May 24-July 1, 2007

Reception Date: First Saturday Night Arts Alive!, Saturday, June 2, 6 to 9 p.m.

Museum Hours: Wednesday - Sunday 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Melissa Chandon's oil paintings are rendered with a passionate physical language that evokes a deep feeling of isolation and loneliness amidst the welcoming tradition of her subjects. The intentional use of negative space via shape and shadow create an aura of solitude and privacy to which the viewer is slowly drawn into the environment. Focusing on the vanishing icons of Americana, including road side attractions, historical agricultural equipment and beloved Volkswagen Buses, Chandon's work encompasses the sentiment of these disappearing symbols one might pass on a lonely stretch of road.

The Morris Graves Museum of Art, located at 636 F Street, Eureka is open to the public noon-5p.m., Wednesday through Sunday. Museum admission is by donation: \$4 for adults, \$1 for seniors age 55 and older; HAC Members and children age 12 and under are admitted free. Admission is always free for everyone during each First Saturday Arts Alive!, 6-9 p.m.

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