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Massasoit Community College Press Release AKILLIAN GALLERY

Canton, MA—Massasoit Community College, Akillian Gallery, 900 Randolph St. Canton, MA 02021. Art exhibit titled "**ABELED 2**", Nov. 4 - Dec. 4th. Reception: Wed. Nov. 5th, 5-7pm.

In observance of National Disabilities Awareness Month, this is the 2nd annual exhibition featuring remarkable works by students and community members with disabilities. The Helping Hands Club of MCC The club members are pleased that the exhibit includes work by students at the Massachusetts Hospital School (MHS), also located on Randolph Street in Canton. The MHS provides a variety of services to children and young adults with multiple disabilities. The MHS goal is to help their students reach their maximum level of independence.

Promoting disability awareness is the goal of Massasoit's Helping Hands Club. A student club, its members include present and former students, and alumni, most with disabilities, some of whom are coping with Asperger's Syndrome, dystonia, dyspraxia, Tourette's Syndrome, cerebral palsy, and epilepsy.

Other Helping Hands Club activities include Dis<u>ability</u> Awareness Day every April that brings speakers and agencies to the campus. In previous years feature presenters have included Travis Roy and Dick Hoyt.

Gallery Hours: Tues. - Fri. 10:00-2:00pm, or by appointment. Some restrictions may occur due to campus events. For info call 781-821-2222, ext. 2124.