Honors Think Art Exhibit

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The class-curated exhibit “Growing West: Exploring Art and Agriculture” opened at the Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art (NEHMA) on March 15, 2016. Students in the honors humanities Think Tank course, which focuses on local issues of food, water, and agricultural sustainability, selected and researched art focused on this topic.

The exhibit featured objects from NEHMA’s collection including photography, paintings, ceramics, and prints. In addition to curating the exhibit, the students were trained by NEHMA’s education staff to act as docents, and they provided guided tours of the exhibition at the opening. Some of the students will also serve as docents at the honors faculty-student social to be held at the museum on April 5, 2016.

Many people attended the opening, including Vice Provost Janet B. Anderson, Logan Poet Laureate Star Coulbrooke, and Dr. Kristine Miller, director of the University Honors Program. Visitors to the exhibit received packets of wildflower seeds donated by Anderson Seed and Garden.

The artworks in the “Growing West” exhibit represent a variety of different times and places, and the students selected these works to prompt viewers to consider the role of agriculture and sustainability in the present day.

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To read the USU Today article about the “Growing West” exhibit, please click here.