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**With These Hands:
The Sculptures of Sy Gresser and Bill Taylor**
On view September 15 – December 15, 2009

Washington, DC: In collaboration with the University of Maryland's University College (UMUC), the Washington Sculptors Group (WSG) is pleased to announce the opening of the exhibition "**With These Hands: The Sculptures of Sy Gresser and Bill Taylor.**"

The exhibition features work by two accomplished area sculptors who utilize hand tools in the direct carving tradition. It celebrates a half-century of friendship, artistic expression, and a shared passion for sculpture. In connection with the exhibition, UMUC will publish curatorial essays about the artists according to Eric Key, Director of the UMUC Arts Program.



Sy Gresser, *Transfiguration*, Colorado white marble, 1974, (left) and **Bill Taylor**, *Embrace*, cherry wood, 1989 (right)

"**With These Hands**" will be on view in the UMUC's Arts Program gallery from September 15 until December 15, 2009. The gallery is located on the lower level of the UMUC's Inn and Conference Center.

A reception and conversation with the artists will take place on **Thursday, October 22** from 6:00 until 8:00 pm. The discussion will be led by WSG Board members Alan Binstock and Mike Shaffer. To RSVP or request additional information, call (301) 955-7937 or visit the gallery website at <http://www.umuc.edu/art>. The gallery is located at 3501 University Boulevard East, Adelphi, MD 20783. It is open to the public daily, 9 am – 9 pm.

For more information about this show, or to learn more and the WSG, visit our website at **www.washingtonsculptors.org**. The mission of the WSG is to promote awareness and understanding of sculpture and to foster the exchange of ideas among sculptors, collectors and the public. 2009 marks the 25th year anniversary of the WSG.