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## **Tunxis Dedicates New Art Gallery**

A dedication ceremony was held for a new art gallery at Tunxis Community College on March 24.

The gallery was named the Wallace Barnes and Barbara Hackman Franklin Art Gallery in honor of Wallace Barnes, chairman of the Connecticut Employment and Training Commission, and retired chairman and CEO of the Barnes Group, Inc. (Bristol), and his wife Barbara Hackman Franklin, a former U.S. Secretary of Commerce and president and CEO of Barbara Franklin Enterprises, headquartered in Washington, D.C.

An inaugural gallery exhibition “Selections of Works 1980-2008” by William Kluba, Tunxis professor of fine arts, followed the ceremony.

The gallery is one of several new spaces that was recently completed at Tunxis during Phase I of a major campus expansion project that added 95,000 square feet of space to the campus.

Gallery hours are Monday through Wednesday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; and by appointment. For more information, call 860.255.3661 or e-mail [wkluba@txcc.commnet.edu](mailto:wkluba@txcc.commnet.edu).

Tunxis is located at the junction of Routes 6 and 177 in Farmington.



*(l to r): Barbara Hackman Franklin and Wallace Barnes stand in the new gallery named in their honor at Tunxis during the inaugural exhibition.*

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