

May 8 - July 14, 2013
62nd All Florida Juried Competition and Exhibition



BURNT OVER FLORIDA SCRUB 61 x 60 inches

An annual testament to the state's flourishing art scene, the Boca Museum of Art's distinguished *All Florida Juried Competition and Exhibition* highlights the breadth and creative talent of Florida's independent artists.

The *All Florida* exhibition is on display at Museum's central galleries through July 14, 2013.

This year's juror, Mark Scala, Chief Curator at the Frist Center for the Visual Arts in Nashville, Tennessee, selected 149 works for the exhibition by 122 Florida artists. The *62nd All Florida* exhibition offers a provocative glimpse of the state-of-the-art today through mediums which include paintings, graphics, drawings, sculptures, installations, photographs, computer-generated images, and videos.

"The artists in this exhibition were selected not just because they were the best to have submitted work or because they seemed particularly reflective of place, but because their art could be shown in a museum or gallery anywhere in the world without there being a question of its aesthetic merit," said Scala.

"Hosting the *All Florida* is a rigorous but rewarding experience," said Kelli Bodle, Boca Museum Assistant Curator and exhibition curator. "It is an honor to showcase work from across the 65,000 square miles that make up Florida, revealing the artists' response to each unique region and society."

Mark Scala has served as Chief Curator at the Frist Center since 2000. There, he has overseen a diverse array of exhibitions from exploring folklore and science fiction (*Fairy Tales, Monsters, and the Genetic Imagination*), to figure painting (*Paint Made Flesh*), to Asian photography (*Whispering Wind: Recent Chinese Photography*). Before coming to the Frist Center, Scala was curator at the Art Museum of Western Virginia, where he worked for ten years. He received his MA in art history in 1988 and MFA in painting in 1979, both from Virginia Commonwealth University.

