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Gail Borowski Exhibit "Coming Home - Memories and Dreams" at Costick Center City Gallery September 16 - November 8

Farmington Hills native Gail Borowski will present an exhibit of new work running from September 16 through November 8 in the City Gallery inside the Costick Center located at 28600 Eleven Mile Road. Borowski layers pyrography (an age-old technique where a heated metal pen is used to burn wood, leaving behind a decorative pattern), gold leaf, paint, and colored pencils on wood and canvas to inspire viewers to think about the subject of "home." She will speak about her collection at a public artist talk and reception on Thursday, September 19 from 6 to 8 p.m.

"Home can be the place you grew up. Home can be the place from which you escaped, but also the place you are always welcome when you return. Sometimes home is just a state of mind," said Borowski. "For many years, people around the world have recognized the universal symbol of a square with a triangle on top as a house. But the emotions, memories, and dreams you experience there are what turn that shape into a home."

Borowski combines images, textures, and colors, reflecting moments of haziness and clarity that come with every home. Her intriguing combination of materials are just as layered, leaving almost nothing to the obvious and even less to the predictable. Now residing in Rochester Hills, Borowski is thrilled to be returning to the place she once called home - Farmington Hills.

Gail Borowski earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Detroit's College for Creative Studies, where she became fascinated with connecting people to creativity. After acquiring an additional certification from Wayne State University and earning her Master of Arts degree in Education from Michigan State University, Borowski crafted a delicate balance between teaching, studio creativity, and motherhood. She has two pieces of artwork at City Hall as part of the Farmington Hills Public Art Program 2019 - 2020 cycle.

The "Coming Home - Memories and Dreams" exhibit at the City Gallery is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on Wednesdays until 7 p.m. City Gallery exhibits are presented by the City of Farmington Hills Special Services Department Cultural Arts Division, which coordinates the art, theater, and music programming for the City.

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