

**CECILLE R. HUNT GALLERY - Webster University**



**Odavde/Otuda (from here/from there)**

An International Exhibition of Contemporary Bosnian Artists  
February 8 - March 14, 2008

**Alen Basic - Isak Berbic - Zlatko Cosic - Sejla Kameric  
Margareta Kern - Damir Niksic - Nebojsa Seric Shoba**

Curated by Jeffrey Hughes and Dana Turkovic

***Opening Reception: Friday, February 8, 2008 - 6pm-9pm***

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE-----January 2008---The Cecille R. Hunt Gallery is pleased to present *Odavde/Otuda (from here/from there): An International Exhibition of Contemporary Bosnian Artists*. This exhibition will be an opportunity to engage the St. Louis public in a dialogue addressing the Bosnia-Herzegovina diaspora and will include works by seven contemporary artists born in Bosnia, including representatives of those who emigrated as a result of the Bosnian War (1992-1995). To date, about 50,000 Bosnians settled in the St. Louis area in the 1990s after the war in the former Yugoslavia and is thought to be the largest outside of Bosnia. The exhibition brings together work by artists who incorporate issues of individual and group identity, land and politics, the laws of art and war, tradition, belonging and place. An exhibition of this nature is particularly pertinent as a means to examine and emphasize the important contributions made to the broader fabric of St. Louis cultural life by the local Bosnian community. *Odavde/Otuda* will also aim to not only bridge a gap but open a door of consideration on an important new community in St. Louis of people rebuilding their lives in the aftermath of one of the twentieth century's most brutal

conflicts. One way to better serve this community is to understand its culture and religion through the work of these international artists, as the events of the war are undoubtedly now part of the history of the city of St. Louis.

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