

# Rivier Art Gallery presents Fuller sculpture exhibit

NASHUA – The Art Gallery at Rivier University presents “Prayers from the Earth: The Sculpture of Samuel Fuller.”

“As an artist, I am concerned with the process by which the unknown becomes known through an encounter with the physical,” said Samuel Fuller, a Capuchin Franciscan priest, environmentalist and featured artist at The Art Gallery at Rivier University through Oct. 26. In addition to the exhibition, a reception and gallery talk by the artist will take place from 7-9:30 p.m. on Sept. 28.

By his own admission, Fuller’s work “entails a freedom of the unconscious rooted in the conviction that beneath the appearance of things, there is an unseen order which if allowed to manifest itself on its own terms will do so as unity.” His sculptures, made of the clay of the earth, are a “response to space as a vibrant and palpable presence”; they are abstract forms often hinting at human form.

His sculpture confirms the familiar adage that ‘the artist creates the art and the art creates the artist.’ In approaching each piece, his process begins with an unusual subtractive method of building with clay, a method that allows him a certain freedom from conventional restraints.

“Instead of hollowing out the clay, he works it ‘solid’ and also fires it ‘solid,’ says Sister The-

## GALLERY OPEN HOURS

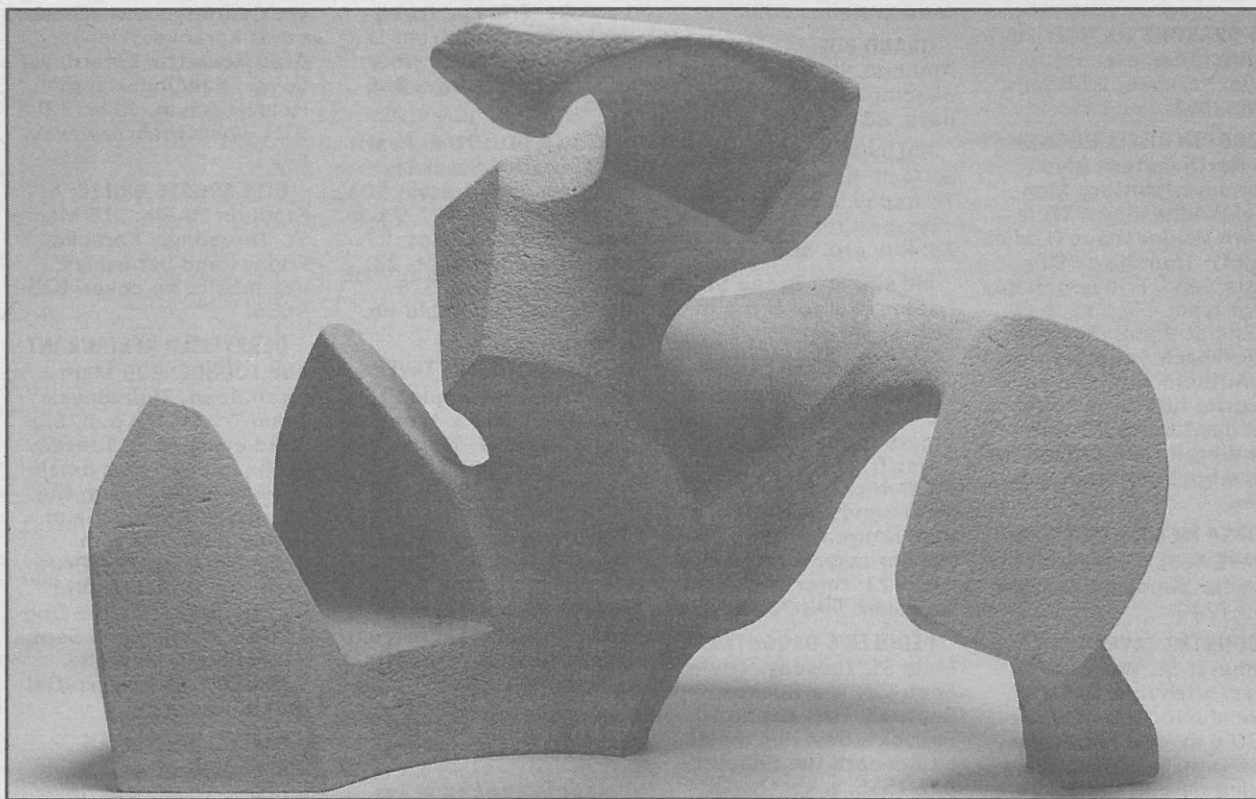
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resa Couture, Director of The Art Gallery. “The end results are intensely personal and engagingly complex testimonies to the reciprocal relationships among physical materials, form and space. Each piece ultimately pushes and probes a metaphor for a view of life that boldly embraces openness, authenticity, and the unmistakable thrust toward wholeness that permeates, and in the end validates, the intrigue of ambiguity.”

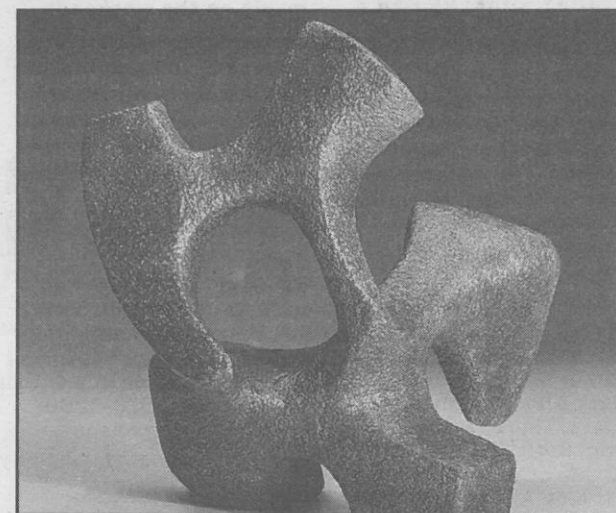
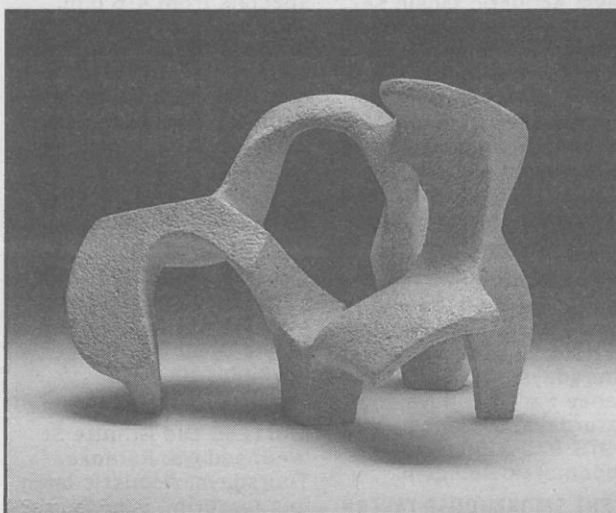
The exhibition “Prayers from the Earth: The Sculpture of Samuel Fuller” will be on view from Sept. 18 through Oct. 26. It is free and open to the public. The Art Gallery is located on the second floor of Memorial Hall on the Rivier University campus at 420 South Main St. in Nashua. Regular open hours are listed below. The Art Gallery is accessible by elevator and six low steps.

Patrons can call 603-897-8280 or email [artgallery@rivier.edu](mailto:artgallery@rivier.edu) for additional information, or visit the Gallery’s webpage at [www.rivier.edu/artgallery](http://www.rivier.edu/artgallery).



Photos by STEVE GYURINA

ABOVE: Sam Fuller’s sculpture “The Unseen.” BOTTOM LEFT: Fuller’s “Paschal Joy.” BOTTOM RIGHT: Fuller’s “Tango.”



## nightlife

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Best Song. [www.jockos-jazz.com](http://www.jockos-jazz.com).

**LABELLE WINERY:** 345 Route 101, Amherst. Live music from 6-9 p.m.

Thursdays, Sept. 21: Robert Allwarden. 672-2270. [www.pastaloft.com](http://www.pastaloft.com).

**PASTA LOFT:** 241 Union Square, Milford. Sept. 22: Fat Back. 672-2270 or [pastaloft.com](http://pastaloft.com).

**PRINCETON STATION:** 147 Princeton St., Chelmsford, Mass. Sundays: Karaoke.

Sept. 21: Carl and Dave Ayotte. Sept. 22: 5 Speed. Sept. 23: Auto Pilot Down. Sept. 27: Carl Ayotte. [www.princetonstation.com](http://www.princetonstation.com).

**SHORTY’S MEXICAN ROADHOUSE:** 206 Route 101, Bedford. Live music 8-11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Sept. 23: Mark Huzar. [www.shortysmex.com](http://www.shortysmex.com).

**T-BONES GREAT AMERICAN EATERY:** 25 S. River Road.

Live music on the patio from 7-10 p.m. Wednesdays. Sept. 27: Brad Bosse. No cover charge. Rain cancels performance. 641-6100, [t-bones.com](http://t-bones.com).

**TIEBREAKERS FAMILY**

**GRILLE:** At Hampshire Hills Sports & Fitness Club, Emerson Road, Milford. Live acoustic music from 6-9 p.m. every Wednesday and Friday. Sept. 22: Brad Bosse. [www.hampshire-hills.com](http://www.hampshire-hills.com).

**VILLAGE TRESTLE:** 25 Main St., Goffstown. Sun-

days: blues jam, hosted by Wan-tu Blues Band. Tuesdays: Live music by Scott Gibbs and friends, 5-7 p.m. Fridays: Acoustic open mic, hosted by Rose Kula, 7-11 p.m. Sept. 22: Bob Rutherford. Sept. 23: Bob Pratte Band with Amberly. 497-8230, [www.villagetrestle.com](http://www.villagetrestle.com).