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NEW ARTIST IS FEATURED IN MERCED COUNTY
DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S LOBBY

Angela Holmes is the latest artist displaying her paintings in the Merced County District Attorney's office lobby. Her paintings, featuring different jungle animals and abstract pieces will be on display through December.

The Merced County District Attorney's office supports local artists by displaying their work in the main lobby in its office. Each artist's work will remain on display for six months.

Ms. Holmes began painting in 2003 when a friend invited her to paint in her studio. It was that same friend who encouraged her to enter her Macau painting into the Kern County Fair, where she was awarded third place.

Since she began painting some 14 years ago, she has participated in three Art Hops. Merced Art Hop has been held in downtown Merced for the past eight years, and not only gives local artists a chance to display their work, but also brings business to the downtown area. Art Hop also features live music, interactive art activities and performers, so there is a little something for everyone who comes.

"I enjoy painting because it gives me a space to let my spiritual freedom have access to my heart, my mind and my body," said Holmes in her biography that accompanies her paintings in the District Attorney lobby.

You can contact Angela by her email at lillypadstudio@hotmail.com or by phone at (209) 349-2339.

"There are so many talented artists in our community, few of whom get the exposure or recognition they deserve," said District Attorney Larry D. Morse II. "We are pleased and honored to showcase their work in our lobby and invite the public to visit our office during business hours and see the incredible art being produced right here in Merced County," he added.

If you are a local artist and would like to display your paintings or photographs, contact the District Attorney's communications specialist Amanda McCoy at (209) 628-1646.