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The Eastern Cuba Cultural Exchange was founded by Clyde Hensley, whose travels and experiences in many countries and lifelong interest in art brought him to Eastern Cuba in 1995. Here he met many artists, working under difficult conditions with few materials, and became passionate about helping them escape their regional isolation. He has since made numerous trips to the area, working with artists, cultural centers, museums and art schools in Santiago de Cuba and the surrounding provinces. As a result of Hensley's work, artist exchanges have developed and several exhibitions have been brought to the United States.
RIFFE GALLERY EVENTS
Wednesday, September 22, 2004, 5 – 7 p.m.
Opening reception with music by the Afro-Rican jazz quartet Intrin-xic. Co-sponsored by the Ohio Latino Arts Association.

Tuesday, October 26, 2004, 7 – 8 p.m.
Visual Arts and Cuba: A Dual Perspective
The Ohio Arts Council’s Riffe Gallery presents a free slide presentation and discussion about the contemporary Cuban art scene. Join Ohio State University’s Department of Theatre Chair Lesley Ferris and Resident Scenic Designer Dan Gray as they share their insights and images of Cuba based on their travel experiences and course "Contemporary Cuban Performance and Culture."

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