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JULY EXHIBIT: LEOPOLDO CUSPINERA MADRIGAL and GORDON GEARHART

The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center announces its July exhibition: *UNEARTHING/RECONSTRUCTING, Pieces of Landscape* by artists, Leopoldo Cuspinera Madrigal and Gordon Gearhart. This exhibition reflects on the current environmental crises.

Cuspinera's paintings are reconstructed pieces of landscape memories made from natural materials, mainly plant fibers and Gearhart's welded steel sculptures relates to the landscape through the use of the artifacts found and collected in our immediate surroundings. Sculptures integrate iron, bone, wood and concrete.

Mexican artist, Cuspinera, has exhibited throughout Europe including France, Spain, Italy, Portugal, Mexico and Switzerland. Cuspinera has a B.A. in Architecture, a Master's Degree in History and most recently studied Industrial Heritage and Archaeology at Michigan Technological University.

Gearhart has exhibited across the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and makes both utilitarian commission work and sculptures. Gearhart attended Northern Michigan University and studied under Dale Wedig. He opened his own blacksmith shop in Marquette in 1997. Gearhart is a member of the Zero Degrees Artist Gallery.

The show will be running from July 1-31. There will be an artist reception on Thursday, July 3, at 6-8 p.m. The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center is located in the lower level of the Peter White Public Library at 217 N. Front Street. For more information or questions, please call (906) 228-0472 or email arts-culture@mqctcy.org.