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**EXHIBIT OF PHOTOGRAPHY BY NEW PROFESSOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY
AND DIGITAL MEDIA OPENS AT RAMAPO COLLEGE**

(MAHWAH, NJ) - "Yolanda del Amo," a one-person exhibit of photographs by a new Assistant Professor of Photography and Digital Media opens in the Pascal Gallery in the Berrie Center at Ramapo College on February 2 and continues through March 4. An opening reception will be held on February 2 from 5 through 7 p.m. with a talk by the artist at 6 p.m.

The exhibition features selections from the artist's "Archipelago" series, characterized by figures in what seem to be private moments. It is often unclear what the relationship between the figures in the works may be, and this ambiguity adds to the compelling appeal.

Yolanda del Amo was born in Madrid and received a bachelor's and master of science in Mathematics in from the Universität zu Köln, Cologne, Germany in 1993 and a master of Fine Arts in Photography from the Rhode Island School of Design in Providence in 2004.

She has exhibited nationally and internationally including the Hudson Franklin Gallery, New York; the Barbara Walters Gallery at Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY; the Bronx Museum of Arts, New York; the National Portrait Gallery in London and Washington, D.C. (Smithsonian Institution); the Centro de Cultura Contemporánea, Barcelona, Spain; the Instituto Cervantes, New York; and the Palais de Glace, Buenos Aires, Argentina. Her residencies include the Spanish Academy in Rome; the Terra Foundation for American Art, Giverny, France; the Lower Manhattan Cultural Council, New York; and Light Work in Syracuse, New York, and she has been invited to be a resident artist at Cité International des Arts, Paris in 2011.

This project is supported in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, a Partner Agency of the National Endowment for the Arts. Gallery hours are Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 1 through 5 p.m. and Wednesdays 1 through 7 p.m. For further information, contact galleries director Sydney Jenkins at (201) 684-7147.

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elementary and secondary levels. The College also offers four graduate programs and articulated programs with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, New York Chiropractic College, New York University College of Dentistry, SUNY State College of Optometry and New York College of Podiatric Medicine.

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