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ONE-PERSON EXHIBITION BY JUNO ZAGO OPENS AT RAMAPO COLLEGE



Mahwah, NJ- A one-person exhibition by artist Juno Zago opens on Wednesday, November 1, at 5 p.m. in the Berrie Center Pascal Gallery. There will be an opening reception from 5-7 p.m. with an artist's talk at 6 p.m. The exhibition continues through December 12.

João (Juno) Zago is a queer visual artist working in Newark, NJ. Born in Brazil, Zago came to the US in 2005 where he's since lived in and around Newark. In 2016 he obtained his BA in Visual Arts from Ramapo College of New Jersey.

He's been an artist in residence at Gallery Aferro in Newark, NJ since 2017. His work brings together disparate media and images to create process-based compositions dealing in themes such as personal introspection, religiosity, and sexuality, all while appropriating images in a similar way to fast-paced

internet culture. His work has been shown in various galleries in Newark and throughout New Jersey. He has also exhibited at the Newark Museum of Art, Morris Museum in Morris Township, NJ, and the New Jersey State Museum in Trenton, NJ. In 2020 he was one of 45 grantees of the Newark Artist Accelerator Fund.

In 2023 he stepped into the role of Creative Director at Gallery Aferro where he previously worked as Registrar and Collections Manager for nearly six years. Today he leads the gallery's curatorial and programmatic endeavors.

Pascal Gallery hours are Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 1 to 5 p.m. and Wednesday from 1 to 7 p.m. NOTE: The gallery will be closed Thanksgiving week. For more information contact Sydney Jenkins at 201-684-7147.

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Ramapo College of New Jersey is the state's premier public liberal arts college and is committed to academic excellence through interdisciplinary and experiential learning, and international and intercultural understanding. The comprehensive college is situated among the beautiful Ramapo Mountains, is within commuting distance to New York City, was named one of



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