“MYTHS, FOLKLORE, AND DREAMS” AT RYNIKER-MORRISON

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Exhibit: Myths, Folklore, and Dreams by Barbara Morrison
Dates: September 7-30
Hours: M-F 9:00-4:00
By appointment (Sally McIntosh at 259-6563)

BILLINGS -- Barbara Morrison as an artist is informed by myths, folklore and dreams. Her gouache paintings, multimedia sculptures, hats, and masks all show those influences. Much of her art tells a story and incorporates fairy tales, folk and ethnic art. The human form is central to her work and she often juxtaposes the ancient idea of “doll as fetish” with the modern day “doll as toy.” One way she achieves this is to offset the archaic body forms with intricate detail made from paint, cloth, paper or found objects.

She is a Billings native, daughter of Bob Morrison. Her father, former head of the Art Department at Rocky Mountain College, always included his children when he was working on art projects. He taught them all how to run a printing press and set type when he was printmaking. He showed them how to make puppets when he was doing puppetry. He taught them how to use tools - saw, drills, and other tools without hesitation.

She has lived in China for the past two years and recently returned to Missoula, Montana where she lives.

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