

Helen Euphrat Gallery
De Anza College

1981 International Year of Disabled Persons
"TO DENY THE RIGHT OF ANY PERSON IS TO DENY OUR OWN HUMANITY."

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This multi-media exhibit was planned by Helen Jones of De Anza College's Physically Limited Program and Charles Walker and Jan Rindfleisch of the Fine Arts Division to kick off the 1981 International Year of Disabled Persons, the theme of which is "TO DENY THE RIGHT OF ANY PERSON IS TO DENY OUR OWN HUMANITY." The intent was to highlight the artistic talents of disabled persons and to help celebrate the human rights and human dignity of disabled persons in their efforts toward the opportunity for full participation and equality in our society.

The work of five students enrolled in De Anza College's Physically Limited Program is shown. Several photographs of disabled persons by Mark Tushman and David Boudreau are on display. Several recent designs aimed to assist the disabled live their lives more fully have been borrowed from the Rehabilitative Engineering Research and Development Center at the Palo Alto VA Medical Center for the exhibit. The academy award winning film, "Gravity Is My Enemy", and a partial collection of slides from Sonoma State University's Disability and the Arts exhibit will be shown daily. A brief description of each artist follows:

INEZ SIEK, the mother of seven children, suffered a cerebral vascular accident in 1966, leaving her completely paralyzed on the right side and with expressive aphasia. Inez began drawing in recent years and has been enrolled in several art classes at De Anza College.

CINDY TURNER suffered a birth injury leaving her with cerebral palsy. Although Cindy has always had coordination difficulties, she began drawing