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Calgary artist **Barbara Bickel** says that in western cultures, women's bodies have become disconnected from the life of the spirit.

Now many women are trying to reconnect the sensual and spiritual.

To that end, Bickel, along with performance artist **Kathryn McGregor**, have mounted a week-long exhibit, The Spirituality of Eroticism.

The two artists have delved into the history of religion and eastern spiritual traditions, along with personal experience, to create the event.

It's a collaborative art exhibit and performance which features Bickel's mixed media figure drawings and McGregor's dance and movement work.

"This exhibition and performance is an intimate exploration of the full awakening of the female senses as felt through the physical," she says.

The exhibition will be held Aug. 18-22 at the New Gallery, 516D 9th Ave. S.W. The closing performance will be Aug. 21 at 8 p.m. to be followed by a reception. Cost is \$10.

An artist's talk will be held Aug. 22 at 2 p.m. For more information, call 233-2399 or 242-3577.