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Above is a sample of artist Dick Evans' work.

Santa Fe artist Dick Evans to be showcased at Shadid gallery

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Central Oklahoma's newest art gallery, Shadid Fine Art, welcomes Santa Fe artist Dick Evans for a one-man show, July 28 through Aug. 8. The exhibit, "Abstracted Landscapes," will feature more than 30 original pieces. A reception will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. July 31, when Evans will be in the gallery to visit with interested patrons about his works.

"We are thrilled to have Dick as our first featured artist in the gallery," said Randel Shadid, owner of the gallery. "We have known him for several years and have a number of his pieces in our personal collection. His paintings make you think, remember places you have seen and connect with the beauty of the landscape."

Evans began painting abstract landscapes while he was an undergraduate student at the University of Utah. As a university professor, he turned to sculptural ceramics. After teaching at the University of Wisconsin for 12 years, Evans and his wife, artist Susan Stamms Evans, were drawn back to their home state of New Mexico by the beauty and magical quality of the landscape. In 1992, he stopped working in ceramics and returned to his original medium of painting.

Evans uses acrylics to paint his personal abstracted vision of the northern New Mexico landscape. "If one of my paintings makes someone look at the physical landscape or the emotional landscape in a fresh way, then I've succeeded," Evans said. His art is present in public and private collections across the country, ranging from the Museum of American Art at the Smithsonian to the Chrysler Corporation.

Shadid Fine Art is located at 19 N. Broadway in Edmond and is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. For more information on the show or the gallery, call 341-9023.