Video art by Peter Campus on display at Richmond Center

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"Cable Station at Orient," 2010 KALAMAZOO--An exhibition of video works by Peter Campus opens this week at the Richmond Center for Visual Arts on the campus of Western Michigan University.

Peter Campus: Existentialism and a Half-Life in Video opens **Thursday**, **Feb. 23**, and can be seen during regular gallery through Friday, March 23. All Richmond Center exhibits are open to the public free of charge, and free parking is available.

Richmond Center Gallery Hours

• Monday through Thursday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

• Friday: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

• Saturday: noon to 6 p.m.

· Closed Sunday.

Peter Campus is a seminal figure in the history of electronic media art. Since the early 1970s, Campus has created pioneering video installations, single-channel works and digital still photographs. Influenced by Bruce Nauman's early single-channel video works shown at Castelli Gallery in 1969, Campus began his career as an artist in 1971 with a series of single-channel works called "Dynamic Fields Series." In 1972 he began to show his pioneering video installations, using monitors, live cameras, and projectors without any recording device.

Campus has had one-person shows at numerous prestigious institutions, including the Whitney Museum of American Art and Leo Castelli and Paula Cooper galleries in New York; Everson Museum in Syracuse, N.Y.; High Museum in Atlanta; Centre Georges Pompidou in Paris; and Germany's Neue Berliner Kunstverein, Kolnischer Kunstverein (Cologne) and Kunsthalle Bremen. His works have also been included in major exhibitions such as the Sao Paulo Biennale (1975), Documenta 6 (1977), Venice Biennale (1978), Biennale de Lyon (1995), and Whitney Biennial (1993 and 2002). He has been a professor of art at New York University since 1983.

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