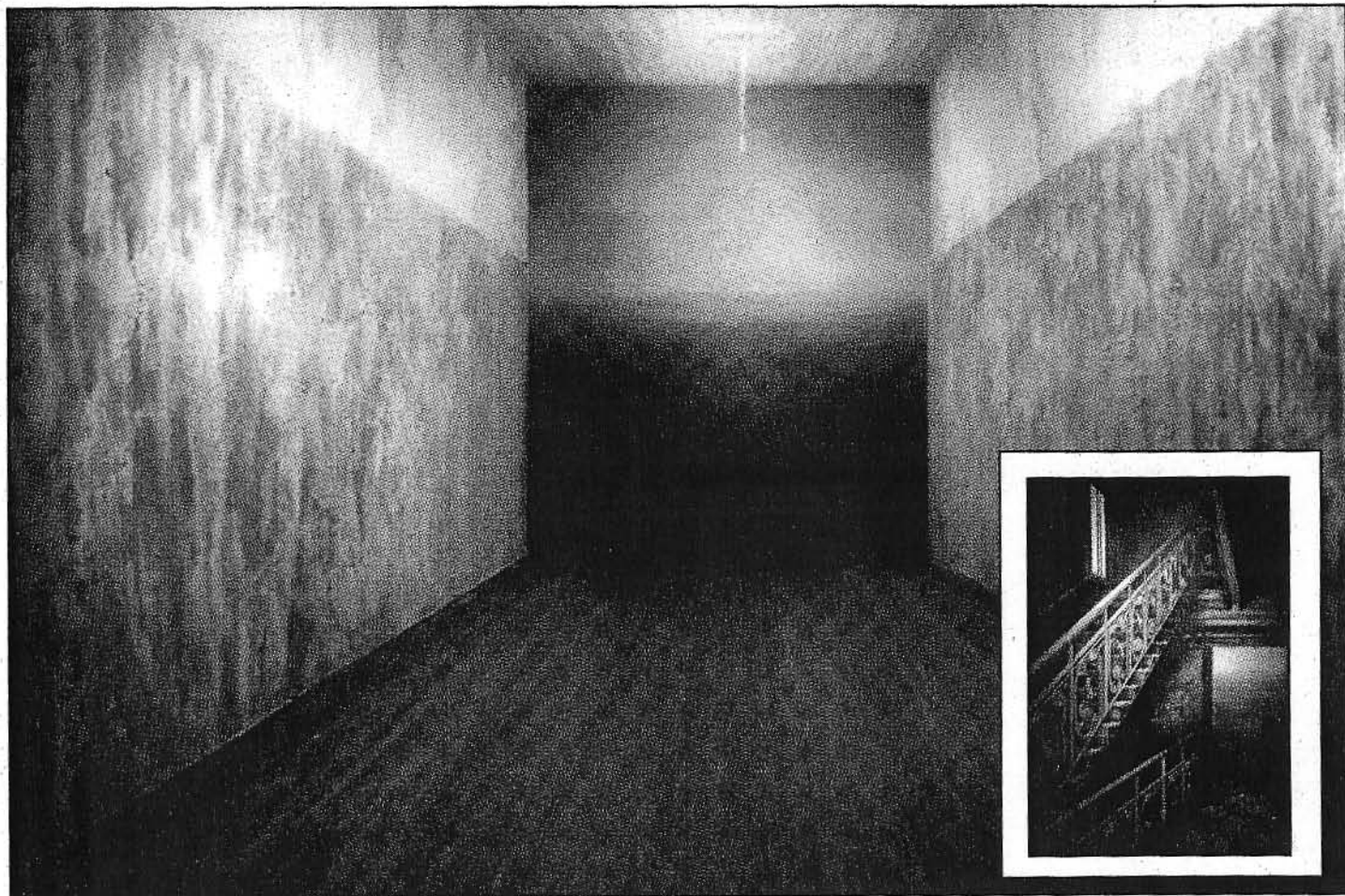


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Depth and distance overlap in Irena Kononova's oil on canvas "Room with Red Panels." Inset, Kononova uses an intricate staircase to add perspective to her oil on canvas titled "Leningrad."

Russian-born artist's work at Wiseman

Paintings by Irena Kononova are being shown through Aug. 24 at the Rogue Community College Wiseman Gallery.

In the exhibit, titled "Beyond Walls," Kononova

overlaps architectural elements and landscape to provoke the viewer into contemplating the ever-widening gap between natural and man-made worlds.

The Russian-born artist

currently lives in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Using sand mixed with oils, she creates a symbolic gesture of reconciliation between the realms of art and nature.

The Wiseman Gallery, on the RCC campus at 3345 Redwood Highway in Grants Pass, is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday and 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday.