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ART214

The First Office of Cultural Affairs City-Wide Juried Exhibition

Featuring 192 pieces by 137 local North Texas Artists

The City of Dallas Office of Cultural Affairs (OCA) announces the inaugural joint exhibition, **ART214**, at the OCA's four cultural centers: Bath House Cultural Center, Latino Cultural Center, Oak Cliff Cultural Center and the South Dallas Cultural Center. This collaborative exhibit is an integral component of Dallas Arts Month (April 2018) and showcases the work of visual artists from the City of Dallas and the greater North Texas region. From over 700 entries, jurors for **ART214** selected over 192 pieces by 137 artists for the exhibition. "For the first time ever, **ART214** showcases the diverse spectrum of visual artists working in our city and region. This joint exhibition at the four cultural centers celebrates the importance of Dallas Arts Month, and continues to raise awareness of the creative class in our civic ecosystem." said Jennifer Scripps, Director of the Office of Cultural Affairs.

The jurors for the exhibition were: Elizabeth Mellott, Professor of Photography at Collin County College and visual artist; Tori Phillips, independent arts administrator and visual artist; Jim Burton, Senior Lecturer of Drawing and Painting at the University of North Texas; and Arthur Peña, Visiting Professor of Drawing and Painting at the University of North Texas. **ART214** is curated by Cristina Estrella Riggs, Ceramics and Art Teacher at Bryan Adams High School Leadership Academy, Dallas Independent School District.

Dallas Arts Month, first launched by Mayor Mike Rawlings as Dallas Arts Week in 2013, is a city-wide celebration of Dallas arts, held annually in the month of April. Arts Month is designed to build awareness for and appreciation of the work of Dallas artists and organizations and foster creative learning and activity throughout the city. Residents and visitors are encouraged to participate in the events and programming offered by arts and cultural institutions from all disciplines.

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For selected artists, opening receptions, and exhibitions dates and times at each cultural center, please see below (opening receptions and exhibitions are free and open to the public):

Bath House Cultural Center

<http://bathhouse.dallasculture.org/>

Exhibition Dates: March 24 – April 21, 2018

Opening Reception: April 8, 2018, 5 pm to 7 pm

Selected Artists:

Cate Baker, Sue Benner, Christopher Bingham, David Blow, Bernard Bortnick, Du Chau, Arfa Chowdhary, Justin Coursey, Vanhue Davis, Angelika Ejtél, Reyna Flores, Moriah Garcia, Chunyu Han, Seth Hudson, Benjamine Lester, Sam Marie, Virginia Marsh, Tina Medina, William Messimer, Hannah (Bernadette) Negrete, Kevin Owens, Chancellor Page, Silvia Parra Dela Longa, Paul Pena, Maia Pizarro, Erika Pochybova, Erin Puckett, Steve Quevedo, Fari Rahimi, Katrina Rasmussen, Carol Riedel, Alex Rose, Ernest Scheihagen, Una Scott, Jerry Skibell, Gisela-Heidi Strunck, Juergen Strunck, Wendi Valladares, Jose Vargas, Katerina Verguelis, Marilyn Waligore, Robert Walker, William Webster, Terri Wilder, Matthew Wood, Nicholas Wood, James Yonkman and Ramon Zozaya

Latino Cultural Center

<http://lcc.dallasculture.org/>

Exhibition Dates: April 12 – May 25, 2018

Opening Reception: April 12, 2018, 6 to 8 pm

Selected Artists:

Anaah Abedi, Sally Ackerman, Jesse Alarcon, Mary Banks, Laura Beard, Jessica Bell, Elizabeth Bentley, Sudeep Bhargava, Francesca Brunetti, Ciara Bryant, Brandy Butler, Du Chau, Lizz Corea, Norm Diamond, Hayley Earnest, Connor Frew, Moriah Garcia, Essie Graham, Franz Guerrero, Chunyu Han, William Holmberg, John Koch, Benjamine Lester, Jas Mardis, Paxton Maroney, Roberta Masciarelli, Freddie Meagher, Tina Medina, Jamila Mendez, Karla Mora Mora, Hannah (Bernadette) Negrete,

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Kevin Owens, Chancellor Page, Kaila Parrish, Elaine Pawlowicz, Paul Pena, Gregory Piazza, Guinn Powell, Gabrielle Castañeda Pruitt, Fari Rahimi, Octaviano Rangel, Marty Ray, Jorge Rey, Michael Scogin, T. Stone, Vet, Sarah Wandrey, Utopia Weiner, and Becky Wilkes.

Oak Cliff Cultural Center

<http://occc.dallasculture.org/>

Exhibition Dates: April 28 – June 1, 2018

Opening Reception: April 28, 2018, 5:30 pm to 8 pm

Selected Artists:

Thomas Alonso, Jessica Apel, Iris Bechtol, Carley Blackman-Yonkman, Rebecca Boatman, Lizz Corea, Angelika Ejtél, Connor Frew, Beth Gardenhire, Kathleen Grandjean, Juan Hernandez, Chad Hines, Matthew Jones, Mike Mahler, Marian Maldonado-Pagán, Sonali Malik, Eric Mancini, Virginia Marsh, Juliette McCullough, Zahra McGinnis, Michael McKenzie, Rose Marie Mercado, Marsha Moser, Naldo Plata, Sonja Quintero, Carol Riedel, Roberto Romero, Juergen Strunck, Andrea Tosten, Midori Uribe, Jonathan Victor, Alan Whiteside, Chesley Williams, and David Zelaya.

South Dallas Cultural Center

<http://sdcc.dallasculture.org/>

Exhibition Dates: March 31 – April 28, 2018

Opening Reception: April 7, 2018, 5 pm to 7 pm

Selected Artists:

Anaah Abedi, Sally Ackerman, Karen Aguilar, Jesse Alarcon, Mary Banks, Laura Beard, Sue Benner, Sudeep Bhargava, Rebecca Boatman, Francesca Brunetti, Ciara Bryant, Arfa Chowdhary, Andrea Davis, Kagen Dunn, Hayley Earnest, Sasha Fishman, Reyna Flores, Priscilla Gage, Beth Gardenhire, Franz Guerrero, Patti Haskins, Antoaneta Hillman, John Koch, Pasha Mad, Jas Mardis, Paxton Maroney, Roberta Masciarelli, Juliette McCullough, Zahra McGinnis, Jamila Mendez, Karla Mora Mora, Truong Ngo, Julia Ousley, Silvia Parra Dela Longa, Kaila Parrish, Elaine Pawlowicz, Gregory Piazza, Gabrielle Castañeda Pruitt, Erin Puckett, Steve Quevedo, Richard Ray, Krystal Read,

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Frank Richards, Rene Rocha, Angelita Rodriguez, Susan Sanders-Rosenberg, Una Scott, Karen Shields Smith, Debbie Snider, Tabatha Trolli- Diloreto, Wendi Valladares, Katerina Verguelis, Vet, Marilyn Waligore, ME Wilcox, Becky Wilkes, Chesley Williams, Matthew Wood, Nicholas Wood, and James Yonkman.

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ABOUT THE OFFICE OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS

The Office of Cultural Affairs (OCA) is a division of the City Manager's office and fosters support, partnerships, and opportunities for Dallas citizens, visitors, artists, and arts and cultural organizations.

The OCA works to enhance the vitality of the City and the quality of life for all Dallas citizens by creating an environment wherein arts and cultural organizations thrive and people of all ages enjoy opportunities for creative expression and the celebration of our community's multicultural heritage.

Our mission is to establish a cultural system that ensures all Dallas citizens and visitors have an opportunity to experience the finest in arts and culture.