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NTC Foundation Announces ARTS DISTRICT Collaborative Grant Recipients

\$25,000 awarded in second round of grants to six new projects rekindling creativity in community

San Diego, CA (October 21, 2020) – [NTC Foundation \(NTCF\)](#) is announcing the third round of ARTS DISTRICT Collaborative Grants designed to “welcome the public in,” and invite guests to “reawaken their creativity.” ARTS DISTRICTS Liberty Station’s tenants were awarded a total of \$25,000 for 6 new projects to advance the work of the tenants, engage the community, and continue the transformation of the ARTS DISTRICT into a thriving arts and culture destination for the region. The grants process is typically awarded annually but as tenants strive for successful post-pandemic reopening, NTC Foundation offered their second round of grants in 2020. This tenant-centric process included tenants developing the criteria for the grant and voting on the projects that were chosen.

“Our Collaborative Grant program gives us the opportunity to celebrate our tenants and their creative ideas,” said Lisa Johnson, President & CEO of NTC Foundation. “We are excited and hopeful for the inspiring ideas offered by the tenants selected for the second round this year.”

The following organizations and events were selected for the second-round of 2020 grants.

EVENT: “The Waves of Feminism”

Organization: Women’s Museum of California

Dates: Murals installed in January 2021

Location: Outside Barracks 16 in ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station

Learn More: www.womensmuseumca.org

The “Waves of Feminism” is a temporary outdoor multi-panel mural that will describe and distinguish between different eras and generations of feminism in a way that is educational, enlightening, and engaging. The three-panel mural will feature images of prominent women who contributed to each era’s movement, along with didactic information embedded into the canvasses to provide context. An additional innovation will invite viewers to utilize their smartphones using a QR code or other

technology, to connect to segments of audio or video recordings of the women's speeches archived at the Library of Congress.

The three murals will be installed along the exterior walls of the Museum and will be painted on a vinyl canvas affixed to the wall. This temporary installation will remain in place for no less than six months and no longer than 12 months.

EVENT: STREAM/Line: A Virtual Dance Series

Organization: Malashock Dance

Dates: November 6, November 20, and December 4, 2020

Locations: Live streams on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, Zoom and MalashockDance.org

Learn More: www.malashockdance.org/2020-2021-season/

Malashock Dance presents STREAM/Line, a five-part series of unique, 30-minute, COVID-safe events, live-streamed from the Malashock Studio Theater. This series features live World Premiere dance performances, open rehearsals where audiences can peer into the creative process in real time, forum discussions that address the current challenges and opportunities in the performing arts and made-for-the-camera dance films.

EVENT: Day of Art

Organization/Artist: San Diego Brain Injury Foundation and Veltz Fine Art

Dates: November 13 and December 11, 2020

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Learn More: www.sdbif.org

The San Diego Brain Injury Foundation (SDBIF) is collaborating with Veltz Fine Art to produce two virtual Day of Art events for brain injury survivors, an opportunity for brain injury survivors to create art projects in a variety of mediums. Survivors will learn basic art techniques and the event will also provide a positive environment where survivors can connect with peers. Registered participants will receive an art kit in the mail to enable participation and eliminate the need for them to purchase any supplies to participate. Veltz Fine Art and LoveJoy Creations will provide professional art instruction to event participants.

EVENT: Fish Out of Water 2020

Artist: Lauren LeVieux

Dates: November 1 – December 31, 2020

Location: North Promenade, near the fountain

Learn More: www.laurenlevieux.com

A temporary art installation, Fish Out of Water 2020 is a collaborative art piece only visible when wet. On rainy days the artwork will surprise visitors. On sunny days a little water will reveal the installation.

EVENT: Annual Day of the Dead Commemorative Celebration

Organization: New Americans Museum

Dates: November 2, 2020 at 5 PM

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Learn More: www.newamericansmuseum.com

Presented by New Americans Museum, this year's Annual Day of the Dead Commemorative Celebration will feature a special multimedia presentation in lieu of a physical altar to respect social distancing measures. The anticipated Día de Muertos/Day of the Dead experience will honor the 200,000+ lives lost in the U.S. to the coronavirus pandemic with a student-led video/film, accompanying narrative and Zoom discussion with Professor of Anthropology Dr. Jose Guadalupe Flores from Universidad Autonoma de Baja California, detailing the symbols and significance of a cultural and pilgrimage practice dating back to precolonial times in Mexico.

EVENT: Together, Liberty: Metamorphosis

Artist: Leslie Pierce

Dates: December 1, 2020 - March 9, 2021

Location: Martha Pace Swift Gallery, Building 201 in ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station

Learn More: www.andsomethingdifferentstudiogallery.com/togetherliberty

"Together, Liberty" will be a wall exhibit and online platform celebrating Metamorphosis, as seen as a butterfly. The butterfly can be interpreted in any way - abstractly or real in images, through the media of dance, jewelry, food, drink, sculpture, ceramics, paintings, architecture, flowers and words, and can be completely conceptual. This project will include a physical exhibit of hanging 8x8" prints at The Martha Pace Swift Gallery each available for viewing online. The online platform will include short "Meet The Residents" videos for participating Liberty Station tenants.

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About NTC Foundation

NTC Foundation was established in 2000 as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit to enrich the lives of San Diegans by renovating this signature community asset and creating, facilitating, and operating ARTS DISTRICT as a 100-acre creative district. Visitors experience the arts, culture, creativity, and cuisine that are the hallmarks of the San Diego region and enjoy innovative experiences in a historic setting at Liberty Station that inspire lives for generations to come. www.ntcfoundation.org

About ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station

ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station is San Diego's largest Arts & Cultural District located in historic buildings at the former Naval Training Center in the Liberty Station neighborhood, near Downtown on San Diego Bay. With 100 park-like acres, the ARTS DISTRICT is home to nearly 145 museums and galleries, artist studios, dance companies, fine dining, creative retail and other organizations that showcase San Diego's creative community and provide innovative experiences for the public. www.artsdistrictliberystation.com