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## ARTS DISTRICT

LIBERTY STATION

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### **AWARD-WINNING ARTIST BRINGS INSIDE OUT/DREAMERS PROJECT TO ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station** *Community Invited to Participate in Interactive Installation – 2 Days Only*

**October 26, 2017 - San Diego**—On Monday, October, 30 and Tuesday, October 31, **Inside Out/ Dreamers** will travel to ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station for an interactive art installation. This is part of a nationwide, participatory art initiative - the Inside Out Project - launched by award-winning French artist JR to create a portrait of America that includes immigrants and the descendants of immigrants alike. ARTS DISTRICT is the first California stop for the project.

During this stop, **Inside Out/ Dreamers** will bring a JR Photo Truck to Liberty Station to give individuals an opportunity to take their picture and use art as an expression of standing in solidarity with Dreamers. These large 3 foot by 4 foot black and white portraits will be pasted to the walls of an ARTS DISTRICT building and are meant to remind the community of the real, human stories and faces behind the national debate surrounding Dreamers.

The not-for-profit NTC Foundation oversees the development and operation of 26 buildings within ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station. This art project was enthusiastically approved by the Foundation's Art in Public Places Committee based on the caliber of the international artist and the opportunity for significant community engagement.

"The NTC Foundation and ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station are excited about bringing the community together and to encourage the use of art for civic discourse through this art installation," said Vicki Reed, Committee Chair. "We welcome thoughtful discussion from all sides of the issue."

This is not the first time JR's Inside Out Project has been at the ARTS DISTRICT. In 2012, Outside the Lens, a San Diego digital media nonprofit located at the ARTS DISTRICT, did a similar art installation using faces of the community in the same location.

Most recently, JR created a photographic installation of a young boy peering over the border fence in Tecate. This image brought national attention to the work of this artist, who has been called "a magician who conjures people onto walls."

Read more here: <https://www.newyorker.com/news/as-told-to/the-artist-jr-lifts-a-mexican-child-over-the-border-wall>

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The onsite artist/photographer for this installation is Jaime K. Scatena. Scatena studied photography in NY and London and his photography explores his inner personality exposing it on several self-portraits series and also the outer world, showing it from a unique point of view.

### **PUBLIC INVITED!**

The public is invited to have their portraits taken in the JR Photo Truck, see it pasted on a wall at the ARTS DISTRICT and participate in this public art installation to support Dreamers. The images will remain on the un-renovated former Navy Base Exchange building at the ARTS DISTRICT for a limited time.

**The Inside Out Project will be on site at ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station  
Monday & Tuesday, October 30th & 31st, 11 am – 5 pm  
Across from THE LOT - Liberty Station. 2620 Truxtun Rd, San Diego, CA 92106**

**All ages are welcome. No cost to participate.**

*The Inside Out Project is a global participatory art project that gives everyone the opportunity to share their portrait and express what they stand for. It is a global platform for people to share their untold stories and transform messages of personal identity into works of public art. It was launched in 2011 by world-renowned artist JR. Since then, over 300,000 people have participated in 138 countries. The project has traveled from Ecuador to Nepal, from Mexico to Indonesia, inspiring group actions on varied themes such as hope, diversity, gender-based violence, climate change. For more information and future stops: [www.insideoutproject.net/dreamers](http://www.insideoutproject.net/dreamers) @jr @insideoutproject*

### **About the NTC Foundation & ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station**



*The NTC Foundation was established in 2000 by the City of San Diego as a 501(c)3 nonprofit foundation to enrich the lives of San Diegans by renovating 26 historic buildings at the former Naval Training Center to create, facilitate and operate a broad-based complex focused on experiencing the arts, culture, and creativity that are the hallmark of the San Diego region. The NTC Foundation has oversight over 26 buildings in the ARTS DISTRICT. [www.ntcfoundation.org](http://www.ntcfoundation.org)*



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*ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station is San Diego's largest Arts & Cultural District located in historic buildings at the former Naval Training Center at Liberty Station near Downtown on San Diego Bay. With 100 park-like acres the ARTS DISTRICT is home to nearly 120 museums and galleries, artist studios, dance companies, educational groups, multidisciplinary arts, fine dining, creative retail and other organizations that showcase San Diego's creative community and provide innovative experiences for the public. The campus also features venues for indoor or outdoor events, festivals, seminars, retreats and meetings. [www.artsdistrictlibertystation.com](http://www.artsdistrictlibertystation.com) @artsdistrictlibertystation*

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