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ChiArts SENIOR VISUAL ARTISTS TO EXHIBIT AT MANA CONTEMPORARY

For the fourth year in a row, Mana Contemporary will host The Chicago High School for the Arts (ChiArts®) Visual Art Department's Senior Showcase Exhibition. The special exhibition will include original works made by this year's graduating students from the Class of 2017, and will be on view from April 21 - April 30, 2017. A public reception will be held on Friday, April 21, 2017 from 6PM-9PM.

The Senior Showcase is the culminating exhibition of a ChiArts visual art student’s high school career. The works on view will include selections from students’ year-long thesis investigations as part of their Major AP Studio Art Course. ChiArts’ Visual Arts Department offers the following majors: Drawing/Painting, Photography, Sculpture, and Visual Communications. Students will also exhibit works made in their elective courses, including Digital Media, Wearable Sculpture, Sequential Art and Contemporary Practices: Performance and Installation.

ChiArts thanks Columbia College for loaning their exhibition walls for ChiArts’ use in this exhibit and MANA Contemporary for hosting this exhibition.

ChiArts Visual Arts Department Senior Showcase Exhibition 2017
April 21 - April 30, 2017
Public Reception: April 21st, 6 - 9PM
Public hours: Monday - Friday 11AM - 5PM, and 12 - 4PM Saturday

ChiArts’ Visual Arts Class of 2017:

Kaelyn Andrade  
Gabriel Antos  
Natalie Aparicio  
Sam Barber Kennedy  
Gregory Buckner  
Evan Calabrese  
Guadalupe Campos  
Anieya Cauthen  
Yasmeen Cisneros  
Cameron Collins  
Meka Cruz  

Seann Dunham  
Jordon Eason  
Maya Franklin  
Srinidi Gopal  
Tyler Jackson  
Trinity Jeffries  
Steven Jones  
Nefertari Louden  
Cassandra Magana  
Christian Martinez  
Alexander Payne  

Carri Ponder  
Deborah Pozo-Tovar  
Andrea Reyes  
Ricardo Rivera  
Marlina Romero-Saulsberry  
Carolina Sandoval  
Chyanne Spencer  
Molly Sullivan  
Pierson Talbott

Marlina Romero-Saulsberry, untitled, 2017  
Cam Collins, Taekwondo, 2017  
Cassandra Magana, Woman Circle, 2017
About ChiArts

ChiArts is Chicago’s first and only public high school for the arts. With disciplines in creative writing, dance, music, theatre, and visual arts, ChiArts provides its students with a pre-professional arts training program paired with a college-preparatory academic curriculum. While Chicago Public Schools provides per-pupil support for the academic program, the arts conservatories at ChiArts are wholly funded by individual, corporate and foundation donors. ChiArts opened its doors in 2009 and has graduated four classes of “scholar-artists” at a rate between 92-95% each year. ChiArts was recently named an Exemplary School by the Arts Schools Network. For more information about ChiArts, visit chiarts.org.