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City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs Issues Open Call to Artists

Artists throughout Southern California are invited to submit their work to the Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery for a July exhibition

LOS ANGELES—The City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs invites artists residing in Southern California to submit artwork for an exhibition at the Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery. The exhibition will open July 20, 2007 and close August 26, 2007.

Each artist may submit one original artwork completed since January 2005. All artwork must be delivered on Saturday, July 7 from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. or Sunday, July 8 from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. An entry fee of \$20.00 will be collected and proceeds will support the Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery programs. Artwork will be admitted into the exhibition until the gallery is at full capacity. Ten prizes of \$100 each will be awarded to entries selected by jurors comprised of Southern California curators including: Clayton Campbell, artistic director, 18th St. Art Center; Barbara Gilbert, consulting curator, Skirball Cultural Center; and Julie Joyce, gallery director, Luckman Fine Arts Complex.

"Each year, the Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery presents a unique opportunity for Southern California artists to exhibit original work in a space available to the viewing public," states curator Sara L. Cannon.

There will be a free public reception on Sunday, July 22, from 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.

General admission is \$7.00, seniors and students \$3.00, and children under 12 are free. Admission for "First Fridays," the first Friday of the month, is free to all, and First Friday hours are from 12:00 noon until 9:00 p.m. Regular gallery hours are Friday through Sunday from 12:00 noon until 5:00 p.m. The Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery is located in Barnsdall Park at 4800 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90027. For more information please call, 323.644.6269.

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The Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA) generates and supports high quality arts and cultural experiences for residents and visitors to the City of Los Angeles. DCA advances the social and economic impact of the arts and assures access to arts and cultural experiences through grant making, marketing, public and community arts programming, arts education, and creating partnerships with artists and arts and cultural organizations in every community in the City of Los Angeles.

DCA grants \$3.4 million annually to over 300 artists and nonprofit arts organizations and awards the Artist-in Residence (A.I.R.) and City of Los Angeles (C.O.L.A.) Individual Artist Fellowships. It provides arts and cultural programming in numerous Neighborhood Arts and Cultural Centers, theaters, and several arts and education programs for young people. The Department directs public art projects and manages the City's Arts Development Fee, Art Collection, and Murals Program. DCA markets the City's cultural events through development and collaboration with strategic partners, design and production of creative promotional materials, and management of the culturela.org website.