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August Gallery Hop Showcases Two All-New, Innovative Public Art Installations
View the Installation of the Graduate Hotel Mural Project and Explore the Latest Temporary Mural Series

COLUMBUS, OH (July 30, 2019) -- On Saturday, August 3, from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m., celebrate art in the Short North Arts District at Gallery Hop! In addition to a multitude of street performers, artisan vendors, and special events, this month’s Gallery Hop will debut two all-new and innovative public art installations in the Short North Arts District: the Graduate Hotel Mural Project, and the sixth rendition of the highly popular Short North Temporary Mural Series titled Unconventional: A community-curated celebration of our unconventional city.

August Gallery Hoppers can watch California-based artists Ryan “Yanoe” Sarfati and Eric “Zoueh” Skotnes in action as they install three permanent public art murals on the exterior building walls of the new Graduate Hotel, located at 750 N High Street. The series of murals, commissioned by the Short North Alliance in collaboration with AJ Capital Partners, will be some of the tallest murals in the City of Columbus. To compliment the mural, the artists are also creating an augmented reality (AR) app that will bring to life different scenes within the mural artwork. Presently, there is only one other mural in the U.S. using AR, making this a one-of-a-kind addition to the Short North Arts District and Columbus. Learn more about the Graduate Hotel Mural Project at shortnorth.org/airprogram.

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Additionally, during the August Gallery Hop, visitors can meet many of the gallery artists behind the latest rendition of the Short North Arts District Temporary Mural Series, *Unconventional*. A number of the artists behind the new murals, including the Columbus based Edmund Boateng and Beverly Whiteside, will be in present in their respective galleries from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m on Saturday, August 3. The murals in the sixth iteration of the series – presented by the Short North Alliance and 10 partner galleries and art institutions with the support of the Experience Columbus – were selected *unconventionally* via public voting earlier this year. Learn more about the *Unconventional* Mural Series at shortnorth.org/unconventional-mural-series.

See the complete list of August Gallery Hop exhibitions and events below, and download corresponding photos here.

For visitors making their way to the Short North Arts District for Gallery Hop, or any other weekend, visit shortnorth.org/parking-transit or download the Parking and Transit Guide here.

**Short North Gallery Exhibitions**

**Brandt-Roberts Galleries**  
For the month of August, Brandt-Roberts Galleries will feature the work of two Chicago-based artists: Jane Carney and Jeffrey Hirst. Jane Carney works in large-scale mixed media and approaches the canvas through experimentation, improvisation, and risk-taking. Jeffrey Hirst's "shaped paintings" consist of shaped panels upon which a highly developed surface is built from layers of encaustic and oil. This exhibition will be on view through September 1.

**Hammond Harkins Galleries**  
Hammond Harkins Galleries will feature Linda Gall and Peter Madden’s *About Looking / Looking Good*. The exhibition's opening reception will take place on Friday, August 2, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., and will remain on view through September 14.

**Lindsay Gallery**  
At Lindsay Gallery, Gallery Hoppers can view *Paradise Lost*, featuring new paintings by Robert Falcone. The theme of *Paradise Lost* is symbolized by disembodied orchids, beautiful but dead, which refer to our planet’s ecological crisis. Lindsay Gallery will also feature blown and carved glass by Lisa Horkin, and Chas Ray Krider will present a live tableaux: *Paradise, Lost and Found*.

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Marcia Evans Gallery
During the August Gallery Hop, Marcia Evans Gallery will feature *Summer Show of Art*, an annual summer showcase of rotating various styles of art, including artists Robie Benve, Veena Bansal, Kimberly Erb, Michael Halliday, Scott Hunter, Jessie Mireles, Annette Poitau, JT Thompson, and Harry Wozniak. *Summer Show of Art* will remain on display through August 31.

(Not) Sheep Gallery
(Not) Sheep Gallery will feature *Unconventional*, showcasing the piece created by Yuri Darash that was selected for the Short North Arts District’s latest edition of the Short North Arts District Temporary Mural Series. The work of Nava Lubelski, Christopher X. Bost, Juliellen Byrne, Sue Cavanaugh, Char Norman, Ann Kim, Izumi Yokoyama, Richard Garriott-Stejskal, Signe Stuart, and Deborah Griffing will also be shown. This show highlights gallery artists and their very unique styles of artwork.

(Not) Sheep Gallery, located in the Short North at 17 West Russell St., represents artists who are speaking out about social issues and various controversial subjects.

Pizzuti Collection of the Columbus Museum of Art
Gallery Hoppers can kick off the night at the Pizzuti Collection of the Columbus Museum of Art. Starting at 4 p.m., special Gallery Hop admission is $5 for nonmembers and free, as always, for members. Currently on view: Jim Hodges, and Evan Gruzis: Drop Shadow.

The Jim Hodges exhibition features more than 30 works by Jim Hodges from the collection of Ron and Ann Pizzuti. A highly regarded figure in contemporary art, Hodges often finds complex beauty in the fragile and fleeting, the mundane, and the timeless. His work is attuned to the power of a simple gesture. Hodges is among a generation of artists who came of age in the 1980s and 90s amidst a deepening AIDS epidemic and the continuing struggle for LGBTQ visibility and rights; love and loss are intertwined themes in his work.

With work in a variety of media from 1992 to 2019 collected by Ron and Ann Pizzuti over a period of decades, this exhibition offers a unique view of the artist’s practice. The exhibition will be on view at Pizzuti Collection of CMA through September 22, 2019.

Sarah Gormley Gallery
Sarah Gormley Gallery will feature *SOLE* by Daniel Rona during the August Gallery Hop. With his start as a graffiti artist, Daniel Rona’s works tell stories about concepts of love, hate, life, and death with a focus on growth. The composition of symbols that began with the rapid expression of graffiti now live in pieces that reflect both personal and universal truths about the human experience. *SOLE* will remain on view through August 8.

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Sean Christopher Gallery
Sean Christopher Gallery will host a public reception for Mother Artists at Work: Prodromal at the August 3 Gallery Hop. Prodromal is a group exhibition by eleven select members of Columbus-Ohio based collective Mother Artists at Work (MAW). Participating exhibitors include Kristen Marra Marek, Wendy Yeager, Melissa Ayotte, Alissa Head, Harvest Rider, Sharon Dorsey, Judy Chesnut Gerdeman, Catherine Bell Smith, Erina Rae, Missy Conley, Laurel Durrett. Prodromal continues through August 17 during regular open gallery hours and by appointment.

There is a clear moment when one becomes a mother. But when does one become an artist? Is it when you make your first work? Is it when you complete it? Or when you show it publicly? Is it when you sell an artwork? Prodromal means "precursor." Prodromal Labor is sometimes called "false" labor, but in reality, it is when labor starts and stops for an indeterminate time before active labor begins. In other words, it is still a productive and necessary process towards the ultimate fulfillment of labor.

Mother Artists at Work was formed in 2005 as a support and networking group for mothers working in the arts in Columbus, Ohio. For Mother Artists at Work, Prodromal is a play on the concept of labor producing a final result, whether that be a child, an artwork, or a status, because in reality, one may produce a child, but one never stops being a mother.

Sharon Weiss Gallery
Sharon Weiss Gallery will have a Salon exhibit in August featuring new works by gallery artists. Gallery artist Edmund Boateng’s photograph Deeper Connection, which is a part of the latest installment of the Short North Arts District Temporary Mural Series, will also be featured. The mural artwork can be found at 674 N High Street.

Sherrie Gallerie
During the August Gallery Hop, Sherrie Gallerie will feature work by ceramic artists Calvin Ma and Erika Sanada. Calvin and Erika both create flawlessly sculpted animals or figures as main characters in their work. Their narratives follow these characters as they grapple symbolically with the concept of fear and anxiety. The two met while receiving their MFA degrees from Academy of Art University, and their work has been exhibited and published worldwide. They currently live and share a studio in San Francisco, California.

In this body of work, Calvin uses anthropomorphic bird-like imagery to explore and overcome the yearning to take flight in the face of overwhelming situations. Conversely, Erika’s new work illustrates the making of an unlikely friendship through the peaceful acceptance of these fears and anxieties. Their work will be on view through August 30.

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Sherrie Gallerie is located at 694 N High Street and holds regular hours Tuesday through Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, visit www.sherriegallerie.com.

**Studios on High Gallery**
Sculptural Expressions by Teda Theis opens August 3 at Studios on High Gallery and continues through September 5. Theis, who is known for her atmospheric, acrylic landscapes, has created works for this exhibition which expand her paintings with dimensionality. The subtle color and rich surfaces of her landscapes are transferred into painterly constructions and sculptures built with reclaimed wood, found objects and ceramics.

**29 W. 3rd Gallery & Studio**
Modern Organix presents Gallery Hop August at the 29 W 3rd Ave Art Gallery, including local artists, poets, and vendors from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Parking is available at 90 W 3rd Avenue.

**Other Gallery Hop Activities**

**BrewDog Short North**
During the August Gallery Hop, BrewDog Short North will feature the collage art of David Butler.

**Enso Tattoo**
For the August Gallery Hop, Enso Tattoo will feature Daniel Painter. Daniel was born in 1980 in northwest Ohio. He moved to central Ohio and attended CCAD, where he received his Bachelor's Degree. Now living in Columbus, Daniel creates abstract, figure-based paintings that can evoke a feeling of finding clarity or falling apart, or both. These paintings, uniquely created with iron, copper, charcoal, and ink, have a very distinct, beautiful, and intriguing aesthetic. Explore the nuances found within at Enso Tattoo during the August Gallery Hop from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Painter states, “My work is about a need to build and destroy, to allow physicality and natural properties of elements to create and guide the work and myself. I use the chemical reactions of iron and copper to create my palette and their patinas to guide the image or subject. I use traditional elements of charcoal, ink, and lead to define and detail the subject. The work suggests beauty within disorder and vulnerability within destruction. The works are created out of my reaction to the evolution of marks and colors in order to find a figure that creates a cohesive piece.”

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First Commonwealth Bank
First Commonwealth Bank will feature the dramatic work of Chris Zenger. Gallery Hoppers are invited to stop by from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. during Gallery Hop to meet the artist, enjoy his unique artwork, and treat themselves to light refreshments. Chris' work will be displayed through the month of August in the lobby.

Zenger states, "I have a passion for art, photography, nature and science. Through construction, deconstruction, light and shadows, I use plants, flowers, and nature as my muse and models. Each petal, leaf, and stem is hand placed and photographed in a studio or shot in its natural setting with a portable studio set-up ... For the immense amount of knowledge out there and for the little bit of it that I might possess. And the desire for more. I destroy. I recreate. I document. I imagine. I repeat. I work with nature because I love it. Always have. I use photography as an avenue because I love it. I always have."

Gallerie Bar & Bistro
Gallerie Bar & Bistro at the Hilton Columbus Downtown will feature large-scale abstracts by Columbus artist David Senecal. His artwork will be displayed in the private dining area of the Gallerie Bar & Bistro through August 31, 2019.

Glean
Glean will feature the artwork of Isabella Byrne, a 15-year-old student at Fort Hayes Arts and Academic High School. She has been painting and drawing since she was a young child. She continues to paint every day because it brings her happiness, and says she gleans her inspiration from the world.

Global Gifts
Getting ready for Back to School? Global Gifts is here to help this August Gallery Hop! During Gallery Hop, Global Gifts will be drawing the name of one lucky winner to receive one mini ikat backpack from Guatemala, a recycled paper journal from Bangladesh, and a handmade pencil pocket holder from Kenya. Stop by for fair trade coffee and treat samples. Global Gifts is a non-profit fair trade shop with ethical and sustainable goods from over 40 different countries (including right here in Columbus).

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Greater Columbus Convention Center
Visit the SMG-managed Greater Columbus Convention Center during Gallery Hop on Saturday, August 3 to view the largest contemporary collection of central Ohio art! The artwork features the interactive “As We Are” sculpture by Matthew Mohr. This 14-foot-tall, three-dimensional universal human head sculpture contains a photo booth capable of shooting 3-D pictures. After each photo shoot, the guest emerges from the booth to see his or her portrait projected as the enlarged face of “As We Are.” This is a unique selfie opportunity!

The special Gallery Hop parking rate in the Goodale Garage is $5 per vehicle from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Muse Gallery at Hilton Downtown Columbus
Through August 31, Muse Gallery will be hosting an exhibition at the Hilton Columbus Downtown featuring the works of Bonnie Teitelbaum. The show will attempt to express a love for Ohio, rooted in home, nature, and memories, that many of its residents may share. It is an exhibition aimed at bringing back memories and sharing experiences of what it was like growing up in this state.

Teitelbaum’s work for this show is meant to express her genuine love for Ohio. She speaks fondly of her experiences growing up here and places a particular emphasis on the flora and fauna of the area. In a passage from her artist’s statement, Teitelbaum describes this as follows: “I remember the seasons, the green fields, poison sumac, our vegetable garden, the tallest trees I’d ever seen. It was a great place to be a kid in the third and fourth grade. These paintings reflect my memories and my affection for this time in my life.”

PENZONE Salons + Spas
Join PENZONE Salons + Spas to celebrate summer and the creativity of the Short North Arts District. Enjoy live music, an art gallery by Audio Acrylics, live painting, service demos, and more. During the August Gallery Hop, PENZONE will offer an extended Happy Hour, featuring half-off all drinks at the bar from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Gallery Hoppers are invited to grab a drink and enjoy the vibe on the new patio, situated directly on High Street.

Skully’s Music Diner
On August 3, Skully’s Music Diner will host the longest running dance party in Columbus Get Right Summer Series, featuring new sounds, new guests, and new vibes, but the same Get Right energy. The 21-and-up EDM/Trap/Hip-Hop dance party, starts at 10 p.m. Tickets will be $5 before 11:30 p.m. and $10 after. Early arrival is encouraged.

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The Table
Visit the Table during the August Gallery Hop to see their latest exhibition from (Not) Sheep Gallery. The Elephant in the Room (an alias for a local clay sculptor) created nine 18” clay plates depicting various politicians at various levels of governance, documenting the bills or laws they've passed, or things they've said. Political plates ... at a restaurant. Artwork will remain on display through August. Downstairs, the work of Deborah Griffing, Christopher X. Bost and Darlene Olivia McElroy will be shown.

Torso
Torso will feature the art of Kris Littler, who works specifically in acrylic paint pours and acrylic abstract painting. Littler is a native of Springfield, Ohio, but moved to Columbus over 20 years ago. He explains his forté of paint pouring as “a painting method that uses acrylic paint and pouring medium to create organic, free form painting with rich, vibrant swirls and cells of color, without the use of paint brushes. The work involves chemistry, multiple techniques and combining colors in varying proportions, and no two will ever be the same.”

Zipcar
Stop by the Zipcar booth at Victorian Gate to play a game of corn hole and check out the latest addition to their fleet – the Gallery Hop Vehicle! Local artist and CCAD student Megan Earle designed a Columbus-inspired vehicle wrap for a Zipcar Honda CR-V. For every mile driven in this vehicle, which will be regularly available for use at the Hubbard Avenue and High Street Zipcar station, Zipcar will donate $1 to the Short North Alliance.

Whether it’s errands or adventures in and around Columbus, Zipcar’s got you covered. Join Zipcar and get access to drive cars nearby, by the hour or day – gas, insurance, and maintenance included. Start a free 30-day trial and enjoy $15 in driving credit with code “GalleryHop19” when signing up at www.zipcar.com.

About Gallery Hop
On the first Saturday of every month, thousands of visitors converge on High Street in the Short North Arts District for Gallery Hop. Visitors celebrate art throughout the evening with new gallery exhibitions, street performers and artisan vendors, special events, food, and drinks throughout the District. With dozens of galleries and non-traditional exhibit spaces, it’s Columbus’ favorite night of the month to celebrate art. Though many shops and galleries are open earlier, Gallery Hop officially starts at 4 p.m. and runs to 10 p.m., with restaurants and bars staying open considerably later.

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About the Short North Arts District
The Short North Arts District is the most vibrant spot in the City of Columbus, and is home to more than 300 exciting businesses, the majority of which are locally-owned or headquartered. It has received numerous national accolades, is considered a model for urban revitalization, and is known as the art and soul of Columbus. The Short North Alliance (SNA) is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization serving both the property owners and business owners of the Short North Arts District. For more information, visit www.shortnorth.org.

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