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NINTH BIENNIAL ONTARIO OPEN ART EXHIBITION

On exhibition April 20, 2017 through June 4, 2017, the *Ninth Biennial Ontario Open Art Exhibition* features a fantastic array of art from talented artists throughout the region. Sponsored by the Ontario Museum of History & Art, Associates, this juried exhibition is one of the Museum's most anticipated exhibition by artists and the art community. For the past sixteen years visitors have enjoyed viewing 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional artwork with a wide range of subject matter and technique. The *Ontario Open Art Exhibition* features both established and emerging artists who use a variety of media such as oil, acrylic, clay, metal, fiber, textiles, photography, ink, graphite and others.

The exhibition is juried by Danielle Giudici Wallis, Interim Director of Arts Connection, the Arts Council of San Bernardino County. Wallis is an artist, educator and arts administrator. She received her BA from Antioch College in Yellow Springs, Ohio and her MFA from Stanford University. Her work has been exhibited widely in the San Francisco Bay Area and beyond, including shows at Catharine Clark Gallery, Raid Projects in Los Angeles, A.I.R. in New York, and The California Palace of the Legion of Honor, which holds one of her artist's books in their Achenbach collection. Her administrative work has become a complementary medium as she

explores larger collaborative projects, bringing organizations and communities together through the arts.

Special Events that will be held in conjunction with the exhibition:

Gallery Guide Training: Ninth Biennial Ontario Open Art Exhibition

Saturday, April 15, 2015 (10 AM to 11 AM)

Join the Museum's team of volunteer Gallery Guides. The *Ninth Biennial Ontario Open Art Exhibition* needs Gallery Guides to engage visitors on Saturday afternoons. High School students and adults are encouraged to attend. To apply as a volunteer, submit an application at www.ontarioca.gov/jobs. Reservations Required.

***Ninth Biennial Ontario Open Art Exhibition* Awards Ceremony and Reception**

Saturday, April 22, 2017 (1 PM to 3 PM)

Join the Museum and celebrate the fantastic array of artwork by local and regional artists. Juror awards will be presented by board members of the Ontario Museum of History & Art, Associates, the non-profit support group for the Museum. Juror Danielle Giudici Wallis will discuss her selections and lead a walkthrough of the exhibition. Light refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be served. Remarks at 1:30 PM to 2:15 PM.

Awards are given out to First, Second, Third and 4 Honorable Mentions winners. The winners from the 2017 *Ninth Ontario Open* will be invited back to show a body of their work in the 2018 *Ninth Biennial Ontario Invitational Art Exhibition*.

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About the Ontario Museum of History & Art

The Ontario Museum of History & Art is located at 225 S. Euclid Avenue, Ontario, California 91762. Gallery hours are Noon to 4 PM, Thursday through Sunday. Admission is free. For more information call (909) 395-2510, email at museuminfo@ontarioca.gov, or visit www.ontarioca.gov/museum. The Ontario Museum of History & Art is a public-private museum operated by the City of Ontario with support from the non-profit Ontario Museum of History & Art, Associates.

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