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ART BOCA RATON ANNOUNCES ART WEEK LINE-UP OF LECTURES & EVENTS
*Inaugural Fair Showcases Interactive Art Demonstrations, Documentaries & Late
Nights at the Boca Raton Museum of Art*

BOCA RATON, FL – (Feb. 22, 2016) – Lee Ann and David Lester, organizers and founders of Art Boca Raton, taking place March 18-21, 2016 in the International Pavilion of the Palm Beaches on the grounds of the Research Park at Florida Atlantic University, announce *Art Boca Raton Art Week*, an extraordinary line-up of lectures, events, interactive demonstrations, local artists at work and off-site events in conjunction with the inaugural art fair.

All programming will take place at Art Boca Raton in the International Pavilion of the Palm Beaches located at the Research Park on the ground of Florida Atlantic University (3450 NW 8th Avenue, Boca Raton, FL 33431), unless otherwise noted. Admission to programming is included with the ticket unless otherwise indicated. For a full schedule and details please visit www.artbocaraton.com.

“Our international art fairs are successful because we are committed to becoming part of the community’s arts scene as we continue to do with Art Palm Beach and as we did as founders of Art Miami. By partnering with local institutions and organizations to create *Art Boca Raton Art Week*, and involving community leaders and residents we create a unique sense of ownership by all who know how beneficial art and culture are to the city they live and work in, says Lee Ann Lester. “Working closely with Florida Atlantic University, the Research Park, the Boca Raton Museum of Art and Art School and the Mayor’s office and Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce, we have created programming and events with wide appeal,” continues Lester.

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Approximately 50 regional, national, and international dealers will exhibit in the custom-built 65,000 square foot exhibition hall with the entrance hallmarked by Keith Haring's 40-foot long *Pop Shop Mural* 1986 presented by Castle Fitzjohns Gallery. This \$500,000 build-out will include a full service restaurant, sculpture garden and lecture hall. Self and valet parking adjacent to the pavilion makes it easy to visit more than once.

LECTURE SERIES:

Friday, March 18

2 p.m. – On the Road with Dale Chihuly, Alibis & Anecdotes presented by renowned gallerist Paul Fisher of the eponymous gallery located in Palm Beach since 1990.

3:30 p.m. – Abraham Manievich: A Pioneer of Jewish Futurism – Alan Pensler, art historian and author will discuss Abraham Manievich's career from his humble beginnings as sign painter in Kiev to one of the most famous artists from the Pale Settlement and the abundant symbolism in his paintings.

Saturday, March 19 - 2 p.m. – From the Gulag to the Palace – the Epic story of the life and art of Boris Chetkov presented by gallerist Kenneth Pushkin and Yulia Zigern-Korn, art historian and senior researcher at the Pushkin National Museum in St. Petersburg, Russia.

Sunday, March 20 2 p.m. Bold Beauty Project - KINGSIGHT: Photography as a vehicle for Recognition, Empowerment and Goodness. Panel discussion: Robert Zuckerman (photographer), Shelly Baer (Project Director, Bold Beauty Project), Starr Sario (Curator, Bold Beauty Project), and Joy Hepburn (project model and photographer).

The Bold Beauty Project is an innovative photography exhibition showcasing 20 women living with various disabilities. Through the creative lenses of the photographers, the audience gets a rare glimpse into the lives of these incredible women revealing their beauty, strength, sensuality and boldness. Each panelist will present their contribution to the project and how they in turn have been impacted by their participation.

3 p.m. Boca Talks at the Boca Raton Museum of Art Wolgin Gallery, 501 Plaza Real, Boca Raton, Museum Members \$5 Non-members \$15 Students with ID \$5

Bob Colacello: In and Out with Andy – Vanity Fair special correspondent Bob Colacello will discuss his new exhibition and his life with Andy Warhol, the brilliant, controlling, private, insecure, and influential man who continues to fascinate us. As the editor of *Interview* magazine from 1971 – 1983, Colacello photographed the glamorous world of Warhol's circle of associates, the Factory office, star-studded parties and openings around the world, and captured images of Warhol in quiet moments at his most honest and vulnerable.

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3:30 p.m. *Everything You Want to Know...About the Art Market and the Golden Rules of Collecting* – presented by Sébastien Laboureau, Founder and CEO of MoonStar Fine Arts Advisors (Miami and Paris) and international expert on the intersection of art and finance. Mr. Laboureau will discuss current trends of the art market, the advantages of purchasing at art fairs and art as an investment.

Monday, March 21

2:00 p.m. – Conceptual Art in the 21st Century presented by Milagros Bello, Ph.D.

Dr. Milagros Bello, art historian, sociologist, curator and art writer and a graduate of the Sorbonne, will discuss the practices and purposes of Post-Conceptual Art, From the iconic Duchamp's urinal, the mass produced objects of Pop Art or the singular simplicity of the Minimalists, artists of the 21st century have critically stretched the margins of aesthetics. This lecture examines the works of Damien Hirst, Jeff Koons, Takashi Murakami, Maurizio Catelan to Wangechi Mutu, among others, who have created new notions of contemporary art.

ARTISTS AT WORK/DEMONSTRATIONS:

Faculty artists from the Boca Raton Museum of Art School will demonstrate gold leafing, painting on porcelain, collage and figure drawing in the Art School's booth at the fair.

Friday, March 18

Noon to 2:30 p.m. - Jacalyn Sanders, collage instructor will demonstrate and invite attendees to create their own small collage.

3 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. - Marybelle Cordell, painting instructor, will demonstrate the process of painting on porcelain.

Saturday, March 19

Noon to 2:30 p.m. – Andrea Huffman, textile artist, will demonstrate printing on fabric and guests will be invited to create their own small printing on cloth.

3 p.m. to 5 p.m. - Christopher Lopez will be the *Artist at Work* – representational drawing

Sunday, March 20

Noon to 2:30 p.m. – Suzanne Scherer will demonstrate the art of gold leaf, and tool and stamping into gold.

Noon to 2:30 p.m. Jacalyn Sanders will be the Artist at Work – collages

1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. – Figure Drawing from live models with adult art school students sketching. Attendees are invited to join in and materials will be provided.

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DOCUMENTARY SCREENINGS:

Saturday, March 19 – 3:30 p.m.

***Hidden Books: The Art of Kumi Korf* - screening and discussion**

Directed by Sam Hampton and produced by Kirsten Hampton, "Hidden Books: The Art of Kumi Korf," is a 30-minute documentary about the Japanese-born artist, Kumi Korf whose art involves several disciplines: architectural design, printmaking, painting, papermaking and artists' books. The film a unique perspective on her life and how the world around her influences her work.

Monday, March 21 – 3:30 p.m.

***Pilchuck: A Dance with Fire* – moderated by Paul Fisher**

The film explores how the Pilchuck Glass School, a small art center in the Pacific Northwest woods of Stanwood, Washington, became the largest glass art center in the world. Founded by iconic figure Dale Chihuly and a few art school friends in the counterculture days of the early 70s, the Pilchuck Glass School pushed the boundaries from its very beginnings. James Baker, CEO of the Pilchuck Glass School and the Executive Producer of this PBS documentary special.

OFF-SITE EVENTS:

March 18 and 19, Friday and Saturday – 1 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.*

***Jay Critchely Incorporated* – Solo Exhibition**

Schmidt Center Gallery, Performing Arts Building, Room 102 – Complimentary shuttle from Art Boca Raton International Pavilion of the Palm Beaches.

Jay Critchley, Incorporated uses ritual, wordplays and the mainstream media to address governmental power and corporate greed and their impact on areas such as the environment, health, sexuality and public discourse.

*Curated tours Friday and Saturday 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. with Rod Faulds, FAU Director of Galleries.

March 18-21, Friday & Saturday from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Sunday 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Art After Dark at the Boca Raton Museum of Art – 501 Plaza Real, Boca Raton, FL

Extended hours at the Boca Raton Museum of Art with cocktails and music sponsored by Sak's Fifth Avenue. Continue your appreciation of art into the evening and enjoy three world-class exhibitions on view at the Boca Raton Museum of Art: ***Warhol Prints from the Collection of Marc Bell, Bob Colacello: In and Out with Andy and Warhol on Vinyl: The Record Covers, 1949-1987+***. Meet visiting artists, mingle with local collectors, curators and museum members. Admission \$12. Art Boca Raton one-day and multi-day pass holders \$10, Art Boca Raton VIP cardholders' complimentary admission.

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Saturday, March 19 – 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

On the Road: Winston Art Group Appraisal Day – hosted by Florida Atlantic University's Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters in the Theatre Lab, Parliament Hall, 777 Glades Road. Renowned experts from Winston Art Group of West Palm Beach; Kodner Galleries of Dania Beach; Palm Beach Modern Auctions of West Palm Beach, and others will be on hand to offer verbal appraisals of art, antiques, decorative arts, furniture, jewelry and vintage. Verbal appraisals are \$45 per item. For details email gvorsas@fau.edu or visit www.fau.edu/artsandletters. All proceeds benefit student scholarships.

The fair is open to the public from Friday, March 18, through Monday, March 21, 2016, from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. daily. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Multi-day passes are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Student pricing is available. For tickets and a full list of events visit www.artbocaraton.com.

Next Level Fairs is the parent company for Art Boca Raton and Art Palm Beach that will celebrate the 20th edition of the fair January 18-22, 2017 at the Palm Beach Convention Center. Next Level Fairs curates sophisticated, event driven fairs attracting global attendance, supported by an international marketing and branding strategy in coordination with local museums, collectors and galleries. www.nextlevelfairs.com.

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