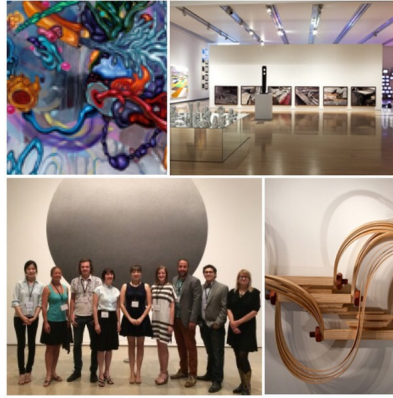


Contemporary Forum Artist Grant Winners Come to the Phoenix Art Museum

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What a perfect time to head to the Phoenix Art Museum and explore their diverse selection of art, plus April 25th marks the opening of this year's 2014 Contemporary Forum Artist Grant Winners exhibition at the Phoenix Art Museum.

What is the Contemporary Forum you ask? The Contemporary Forum also known as CF is "a support organization that champions contemporary art at Phoenix Art Museum – awards up to seven grants to emerging artists working in Arizona." These recipients were chosen by a jury from numerous applicants who applied to an annual open call for artists. The funds are provided through The Nathan Cummings Foundation and are matched with funding from Contemporary Forum.



This year's exhibition features an incredible selection of artists including Kerstin Jones Dale, Bill Dambrova, Karen Hymer, Hyunji Lee, Lauren Strohacker & Kendra Sollars, Larry Valencia Madrigal, and Ben Willis. The work of the 2014 Contemporary Forum Artists Grant recipients will be on display in Lyon Gallery at Phoenix Art Museum. Be sure to attend the Wednesday, May 13th reception at the Phoenix Art Museum to meet the artists and celebrate this wonderful exhibition. There will also be a talk given by the 2014 Arlene and Morton Scult Contemporary Forum Artist Award winner Rachel Bess in addition to the announcement and presentation of the 2015 winners of the Contemporary Forum Artists Grants.

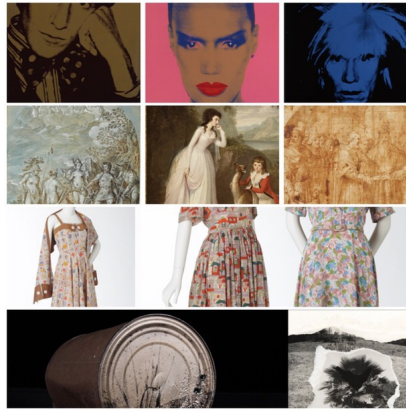


Current exhibitions featured include Andy Warhol: Portraits exhibition, examining the iconic Pop Artist Andy Warhol and his affinity and obsession with fame and celebrity that permeated his life and art on view in the Marley Foundation Gallery until June 21, 2015. Explore Mysteries from Europe which examines the unknown artists and the ongoing challenges these works present to art historians and connoisseurs highlighting works by unidentified artists on view through April 19th in the Lyon Gallery. Recently opened Pattern Play: The Contemporary Designs of Jacqueline Groag provides a rare look at works on paper, fascinating designs for furnishing textiles, dress fabrics, and more on

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display in the Ellman Fashion Design Gallery until August 9th.



Don't miss One-of-a-Kind: Unique Photographic Objects from the Center for Creative Photography, which challenges the idea that "photographs are infinitely reproducible, however, some photographic processes produce only a single, one-of-a-kind object or some artists choose to use materials in a way that produces a unique artwork." This exhibition will be on view in the Doris and John Norton Gallery until October 25th. For more information about the exhibitions or museum visit <http://www.phxart.org>. *Images courtesy of PAM.