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Albany Area Arts Council hosts 15th annual South Georgia College Art Competition

Albany, Ga. – The Albany Area Arts Council will host the 15th annual South Georgia College Art Competition in its Carnegie Library Gallery. The opening reception and awards ceremony will be Friday, November 2 from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. The event is free and the public is encouraged to attend. The exhibition will remain on display November 2 – 8, 2018 and will be available for viewing during AAAC gallery hours.

Held annually by the AAAC, the South Georgia College Art Competition is an exhibition of college-level artwork created by student artists in the South Georgia region. The show features work by students from Albany State University and Valdosta State University.

The mission of the show is to provide art students with a venue to display their works, offering them hands-on, practical experience with professional practices, an opportunity to network with their peers and a chance to sell their works if they so choose. Additionally, the exhibition offers students a public forum to interact with their community as professional contributors.

Awards are presented in six categories: Painting, Drawing, Photography, Graphics and Printmaking, Sculpture, and Ceramics. This year's judge is Justin Hodges. Justin is an interdisciplinary artist and educator originally from Southeast Georgia. He received a bachelor of fine arts in photography and a master of fine arts from the University of Cincinnati (2012 and 2015 respectively) focused on photography and installation. He currently teaches photography and digital media at Georgia Southwestern State University in Americus, GA.

"I look forward to this event every year. It is a privilege to work with the universities and their students. I can think of no better way to further our mission than by facilitating an opportunity for students to engage with one another and their community through a medium of their own creation," said AAAC Director Nicole Williams.

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The mission of the Albany Area Arts Council is "Uniting our community through the Arts and Humanities." The AAAC's Carnegie Library Gallery is located at 215 N. Jackson St. in Albany, GA. Gallery Hours are Mon & Wed: 12 p.m. – 4 p.m., Tues: 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. and Thurs: 12 p.m. – 8 p.m. Please call (229) 439-2787 to ensure availability. Connect with the AAAC online at <https://www.albanyartscouncil.org>.