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**NATIONAL YOUNGARTS FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES  
OPENING OF VISUAL ARTS EXHIBITION,  
NEW VOICES: WORKS BY RECENT YOUNGARTS ALUMNI**

**OPENING TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2014 AT THE YOUNGARTS GALLERY  
ON THE NATIONAL YOUNGARTS FOUNDATION CAMPUS IN MIAMI**

**WHAT**

From Tuesday, July 22 through Friday, September 12, 2014, the [National YoungArts Foundation](http://www.nationalyoungarts.org) (YoungArts) will present the exhibition *New Voices: Works by Recent YoungArts Alumni* at the YoungArts Gallery. The first alumni exhibition to be presented on the YoungArts campus, *New Voices* features 46 works by 30 YoungArts alumni in Visual Arts, Photography and Writing, offering a glimpse of our nation's most promising talent. *New Voices* is curated by visual artist, YoungArts Master Teacher and Discipline Coordinator Loni Johnson.

This past June, 42 of these works were presented in Washington, D.C., at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts as part of the YoungArts@Kennedy Center series, which celebrated the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the U.S. Presidential Scholars program.

[New Voices](#) features four new pieces: an excerpt from the novel *Aluf David* written by Joshua Kimelman (2013 & 2014 YoungArts Winner in Writing); *Tolya*, a short story by Catherine Mosier-Mills (2014 YoungArts Winner in Writing); *King James*, a life-size painting by Aaron Starkey (2010 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts); and *A Nest on Blackstair Mountain*, a mixed media piece by Isabella Pezzulo (2014 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts).

The YoungArts Gallery on the YoungArts Miami campus opened in December 2013, with visual artist and YoungArts Master Teacher Olafur Eliasson's *Little Sun Project*. This past March, YoungArts presented Sibylle Szaggars Redford's *The Way of the Rain Paintings* in the gallery, and additional shows are slated for later this year.

**WHO**

**YoungArts Alumni:**

Hanel Baveja (2013 & 2014 YoungArts Winner in Writing)  
Yasmin Belkhyr (2013 & 2014 YoungArts Winner in Writing)  
Ellie Blackman (2014 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts)  
Arthur Cooke (2014 YoungArts Winner in Photography)  
Joshua Forges (2014 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts)  
Connor Frew (2014 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts)  
Hazel Fricke (2014 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts)  
Madelyn Girard (2014 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts)  
Gabiella Gonzales (2014 YoungArts Winner in Writing)  
Hannah Haid (2013 YoungArts Winner in Photography)  
Anne Hucks (2013 YoungArts Winner in Writing)  
Lena Jaferly (2014 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts)  
Joshua Kimelman (2013 & 2014 YoungArts Winner in Writing)  
Alicia Lai (2014 YoungArts Winner in Writing)  
Michaela Manzieri (2014 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts)

Renee Martinez (2013 YoungArts Winner in Photography)  
Catherine Mosier-Mills (2014 YoungArts Winner in Writing)  
Liana Murray (2014 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts)  
Faith Padgett (2014 YoungArts Winner in Writing)  
Annyston Pennington (2013 YoungArts Winner in Writing)  
Isabella Pezzulo (2014 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts)  
Laura Rashley (2013 YoungArts Winner in Writing)  
Mika Rosenberg (2014 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts)  
Sharaya Schwardt (2014 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts)  
Aaron Starkey (2010 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts)  
Isobella Stanton (2013 YoungArts Winner in Photography)  
Malaika Temba (2014 YoungArts Winner in Visual Arts)  
Pooja Tripathi (2014 YoungArts Winner in Photography)  
Victoria White (2013 YoungArts Winner in Writing)  
Catherine Wong (2013 YoungArts Winner in Writing)

#### **WHERE YoungArts Gallery**

The National YoungArts Foundation Campus  
2100 Biscayne Boulevard, YoungArts Gallery in Tower Building  
Miami, FL 33137

#### **WHEN Tuesday, July 22 to Friday, September 5, 2014**

##### **Gallery Hours:**

Tuesdays – Fridays: 10:00AM – 4:00PM

Weekends: By Appointment Only

Mondays – Closed

#### **ABOUT THE NATIONAL YOUNGARTS FOUNDATION**

The National YoungArts Foundation was established in 1981 by Lin and Ted Arison to identify and support the next generation of artists, and to contribute to the cultural vitality of the nation by investing in the artistic development of talented young artists in the visual, literary, design and performing arts. Each year, there are approximately 11,000 applications to YoungArts from 15-18 year old (or grades 10-12) artists, and from these, approximately 700 winners are selected.

YoungArts provides these emerging artists with life-changing experiences and validation by renowned mentors, access to significant scholarships, national recognition and other opportunities throughout their careers to help ensure that the nation's most outstanding emerging artists are encouraged to pursue careers in the arts. To date, YoungArts has honored more than 20,000 alumni, including Doug Aitken, Josh Groban, Jenji Kohan, Desmond Richardson and Kerry Washington, with over \$6 million in monetary awards; facilitated in excess of \$150 million in college scholarship opportunities; and enabled its participants to work with master teachers who are among the most distinguished artists in the world, such as Marina Abramović, Mikhail Baryshnikov, Plácido Domingo, Zaha Hadid, Robert Redford and Bruce Weber.

Some of YoungArts' work is featured in the three-time Emmy-nominated HBO program *YoungArts MasterClass*, which chronicles the work of renowned artists sharing their art and life experiences with YoungArts Winners. *YoungArts MasterClass* specials have featured Edward Albee, Olafur Eliasson, Patti LuPone, Wynton Marsalis, Bobby McFerrin, Julian Schnabel, Kathleen Turner and more. Upcoming programs will feature Alan Alda and Joshua Bell. In addition, YoungArts is working with world-renowned architect and YoungArts Artistic Advisor Frank Gehry to transform the recently acquired former Bacardi Tower and Museum buildings and three-and-a-half acre campus into its national headquarters, which will support expanded local activities in Miami and across the country.

For more information, visit [youngarts.org](http://youngarts.org), [facebook.com/YoungArtsFoundation](https://facebook.com/YoungArtsFoundation) or [twitter.com/YoungArts](https://twitter.com/YoungArts). To watch a brief video about YoungArts, click [here](#).

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