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NATIONAL YOUNGARTS FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES
YOUNGARTS MIAMI

MARCH 8 - 13, 2016

***Emerging Artists to Participate in Master Classes with
Renowned Teachers and Share Their Talents with the Public***

National YoungArts Foundation Celebrates 35th Anniversary

WHAT: The [National YoungArts Foundation's](#) 2016 [YoungArts Miami](#) program will take place from **March 8 - 13** and offers YoungArts Winners from South Florida, selected from a record 12,000 applications from emerging artists ages 15-18 (or in grades 10-12), the rare opportunity to learn, connect and collaborate with fellow peers and luminaries in their artistic field.

During YoungArts Miami, participants will work with renowned artists including director, producer and creator of "The Technique" Joan Scheckel, and YoungArts alumni Yara Travieso (2005 Winner in Dance) and Jen Waldman (1993 Winner in Theater), who offer them support, mentorship and encouragement to pursue their passions and careers in the arts. The promising young artists will also have the chance to share their talents with the public through multidisciplinary performances, writers' readings, a cinematic arts screening and a visual arts exhibition on the YoungArts Campus and at The Colony Theatre on Lincoln Road.

YoungArts Miami is one of YoungArts' three regional programs (that also take place in New York and Los Angeles), modeled after its signature national program - National YoungArts Week - held annually in Miami.

WHO: YoungArts Winners in the visual, design, literary, cinematic and performing arts.

For a complete list of YoungArts Miami participants, please contact:
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**WHEN &
WHERE:** **2016 YoungArts Miami Performances, Exhibition, Readings and Screenings**

Thursday, March 10, 2016

6:30 PM

Visual Arts, Design + Photography Exhibition Opening Curated by Diana Nawi

YoungArts Campus

2100 Biscayne Blvd, Miami 33137

For directions, [click here](#)

Admission: free

7:30 PM

Jazz, Writing + Cinematic Arts Presentation Directed by Emmet Cohen, Joan Morgan, Rich Guay + Nancy Savoca

YoungArts Campus
2100 Biscayne Blvd, Miami 33137
For directions, [click here](#)
Admission: free

Friday, March 11, 2016

8:00 PM

Theater, Voice, Dance and Music Performance, Directed by Jen Waldman

Colony Theatre
1040 Lincoln Road, Miami Beach 33139
Admission: \$15* or \$10 for YoungArts members and alumni.
To purchase tickets, [click here](#)
*Please be in touch for complimentary media tickets.

Saturday, March 12, 2016

8:00 PM

Theatre, Voice, Dance and Music Performance, Directed by Yara Travieso

Colony Theatre
1040 Lincoln Road, Miami Beach 33139
Admission: \$15* or \$10 for YoungArts members and alumni.
To purchase tickets, [click here](#)
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MORE INFO: <http://www.youngarts.org/youngarts-miami>

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About the National YoungArts Foundation

The National YoungArts Foundation (YoungArts) was established in 1981 by Lin and Ted Arison to identify and nurture the most accomplished young artists in the visual, literary, design and performing arts, and assist them at critical junctures in their educational and professional development. Through a wide range of annual programs, regular performances, and partnerships with some of the nation's leading cultural institutions, YoungArts aspires to create a strong community of alumni and a platform for a lifetime of encouragement, opportunity and support.

YoungArts' signature program is an application-based award for emerging artists ages 15 – 18 or in grades 10 – 12 from across the United States. Selected from a pool of more than an average of 11,000 applications (in 2015, the organization received a record-breaking number of more than 12,000 applications), YoungArts Winners receive valuable support, including financial awards of up to \$10,000, professional development and educational experiences working with renowned mentors—such as Mikhail Baryshnikov, Plácido Domingo, Frank Gehry, Jeff Koons, Wynton

Marsalis, Robert Redford, Rebecca Walker and Bruce Weber—and performance and exhibition opportunities at some of the nation’s leading cultural institutions, including the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts (Washington, D.C.), The Metropolitan Museum of Art (New York), The Museum of Modern Art (New York) and New World Center (Miami). Additionally, YoungArts Winners are eligible for nomination as a U.S. Presidential Scholar in the Arts, one of the nation’s highest honors for high school students who exemplify academic and artistic excellence.

YoungArts Winners also become part of a thousands-strong alumni network of artists, which offers them additional professional opportunities throughout their careers. YoungArts alumni who have gone on to become leaders in their fields include actresses Anna Gunn, Viola Davis, Zuzanna Szadkowski and Kerry Washington; Broadway stars Tony Yazbeck, Raúl Esparza, Andrew Rannells and Billy Porter; recording artists Josh Groban, Chris Young and Judith Hill; Metropolitan Opera star Eric Owens; musicians Terence Blanchard, Gerald Clayton and Jennifer Koh; choreographer Desmond Richardson and Camille A. Brown; visual artists Daniel Arsham and Hernan Bas; internationally acclaimed multimedia artist Doug Aitken; television writer, producer, and director Jenji Kohan; *New York Times* bestselling author Sam Lipsyte; and Academy Award winning filmmaker Doug Blush.

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