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Community School of Music and Arts Presents *Celebrations*, A CSMA Student & Faculty Exhibition

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA – The Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA) in Mountain View presents *Celebrations*, a multi-disciplinary art exhibition by CSMA student and faculty artists. The exhibition will be on display in CSMA's Mohr Gallery from December 9, 2016 through January 18, 2017. There will be an opening reception with the artists on Friday, December 9 from 5pm-8pm.

Celebrations showcases the work of CSMA students and faculty, ages five to adult. The artists were asked to imagine what and how they would celebrate if given one day to celebrate something meaningful to them. When one engages in a celebration, whether large or small, it enhances meaningful connections to one's community and the world. Inspired by the theme, the artists created a variety of works to express their personal understanding of and experience with celebrations, using watercolors, fabric, ceramics and more. Students engaged in concept development, thoughtful experimentation with materials and critical thinking to develop their art, resulting in incredible creativity and intention within the work.

"We are delighted to showcase the work of our talented students and faculty," said Vickie Scott Grove, Executive Director of CSMA. "At CSMA, we are committed to inspiring students of all levels and backgrounds to explore and express their personal creativity. Join us in Mohr Gallery to celebrate and support art in our community!"

CSMA's Visual Arts program is open to students of all ages and skill levels. Classes for children, teens and adults include drawing, painting, sculpting, ceramics, digital arts and more. Spring semester classes begin January 9, 2017. Class registration opens in late November. In keeping with CSMA's mission of *Arts4All*, financial aid is available for all classes and programs.

For more information about this exhibition, visit www.arts4all.org. For artist interviews and additional images, contact Sharon Kenney, Director of Marketing & Communications, at 650-917-6800, ext. 305 or skenney@arts4all.org.

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EVENT CALENDAR INFORMATION:

- WHAT:** *Celebrations*, CSMA Student & Faculty Exhibition
- WHERE:** Mohr Gallery, Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA)
Finn Center, 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View, CA
- WHEN:** December 9, 2016 through January 18, 2017
Opening Reception: Friday, December 9, 5-8pm
- COST:** Free and open to the public.
- INFO:** www.arts4all.org; 650-917-6800, ext 305

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Founded in 1968, the Community School of Music and Arts is Northern California's largest non-profit provider of arts education programs. With a \$5 million budget and 160-member staff and faculty, CSMA is one of the ten largest community schools in the United States. Located in the heart of Silicon Valley, one of the global capitals of creativity, CSMA is dedicated to making the arts and arts education accessible to all, regardless of age, experience or background. Headquartered in the award-winning Finn Center in the City of Mountain View, CSMA directly serves over 22,000 people of all ages, skill levels and economic means each year, including over 16,000 students at 40+ schools in San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties.

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