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Miami CRA Welcomes Art Basel with \$100,000 in Grants for Local Art Exhibitions

---Exhibits throughout Overtown and Omni Areas are designed to get residents involved with the visual and performing arts---

(Miami,FL)—The Miami Community Redevelopment Agency welcomes the “Olympics of the art world” to South Florida with \$100,000 in grant money for Art Basel related events within the CRA boundaries targeting the visual and performing arts.

The 2010 Art Grant Program furthers the CRA’s mission of promoting local cultural events within the redevelopment areas and advances the CRA’s redevelopment goals of promoting local businesses and the marketing of the redevelopment areas.

Events receiving grants from the Southeast Overtown/Parkwest CRA are African Roots/American Fruits, Construction of Reconstruction, Eyes of the Soul, and The Colored Town Gallery.

The Omni CRA awarded grants to the 1400 Biscayne Center Art Gallery, Primary Flight of Cafeina, Miami Biennale of Sculpture, and the Lil Haiti, The Untold Story stage play.

The Ward Rooming House in Overtown is hosting its first exhibition since the CRA fully restored the historic building earlier this year. The famed Florida Highwaymen will be featured. Southeast Overtown/Park West CRA Chairman Richard Dunn will open the exhibition at on **December 3rd at 10am at 249 NW 5th Street.**

For more information, contact David Karsh at (305) 679-6819. Below is a list of Art Basel related events within the CRA:

African Roots/American Roots

10:am-10pm
Artlab33
Art Space 2085B
NW 2 Avenue

Florida Highway Men

Ward Rooming House
249 NW 5th Street

Construction of Reconstruction

December 2-3 12pm-5pm
Overtown Youth Center
450 NW 14th Street

Eyes of the Soul

December 1-9 12pm-2am
St. John Baptist Church
1328 NW 3rd Avenue

**The Colored Town Gallery:
Painting the Story Art Installation on Overtown History and People**

December 3-4 10am-10pm
December 5 10am-5pm
Mount Zion Missionary Baptists Church
301 NW 9th Street

1400 Biscayne Center Art Gallery

December 3 12pm-10pm
December 4 12pm-8pm
December 5 12pm-6pm
1400 Biscayne Blvd.

Primary Flight at Cafeina

December 1-5
12pm-12am
Wynwood Free Trade Zone
297 NW 23rd Street

Miami-Miami Beach Biennale of Sculpture

December 3-January 20
All Day
Bayfront Park
301 North Biscayne Blvd.

Lil Haiti, The Untold Story (stage play)

December 5
3pm-5pm
7pm-9pm
Hilton Hotel Ballroom 3
1601 Biscayne Blvd

Wynwood Walls

December 1-5
NW 25th Street and NW 2nd Avenue

Pulse Miami 2010

December 2 1pm-7pm
3-4 11am-7pm
5 11am-5pm
The Ice Palace
1400 North Miami Avenue

Inside Out, Photography After Form

December 1-March 6
CIFO
1018 North Miami Avenue