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2017 Youth Art Month Exhibit: United Through Art

Douglasville, Georgia – The Cultural Arts Council Douglasville/ Douglas County welcomes the annual Youth Art Month exhibit – which features K-12 student art from the following Douglas County schools: Douglas County, Lithia Springs, and Alexander High; Chapel Hill, Chestnut Log, and Yeager Middle; Mt. Carmel, Holly Springs, Annette Winn, Factory Shoals, Mason Creek, Lithia Springs, Beulah, Winston, East Side, and North Douglas Elementary schools. The 2017 Youth Art Month (YAM): United Through Art exhibit is on display from March 2nd through the 29th. The show will kick-off with a special opening reception at the CAC, hosted by the gallery committee and art teachers of Douglas County, on Thursday, March 2nd from 6 until 8 p.m. The exhibit & reception is free and open to the public.

Youth Art Month emphasizes Douglas County's educational institutions and how they help mold the next generation of the state's artists, educators, and business & public leaders. YAM provides significant encouragement to students and well-deserved recognition to the hard-working educators. America turns to creative innovation as a way to ensure a prosperous future – and YAM provides an opportunity to recognize the immense value of arts education in our schools, economy, and daily life.

Youth Art Month is an annual national observance each March to emphasize the value of art education and to encourage public support for quality school art programs. Art education provides students with important critical-thinking and problem-solving skills, in addition to fostering self-esteem, self-discipline, and an appreciation for the work of others. The Youth Art Month exhibit celebrates and validates student achievement in the visual arts, and the Cultural Arts Council honors the talent and dedication of these young artists and their teachers. YAM has been observed nationally since 1961, and the CAC is one of three special YAM exhibit locations in Douglas County.

On Monday, March 6th from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., a separate reception will be held at the Douglas County Board of Education building, located off Gurley Road at Highway 5. On Tuesday, March 7th from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. the final reception will take place at the Douglas County Courthouse, located at 8700 Hospital Drive. All other Douglas County schools will display their student's artwork at one of these two sites – parents should check with their children's art teachers to learn which site is displaying their children's artwork.

The Cultural Arts Council Douglasville/ Douglas County, located at 8652 Campbellton Street in historic downtown Douglasville, Georgia, is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For directions and more information, visit www.artsdouglas.org or contact the Cultural Arts Council at 770.949.2787.

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The mission of the Cultural Arts Council Douglasville/ Douglas County is to nurture, guide and stimulate the enjoyment of and participation in the arts among Douglas County residents by providing an atmosphere conducive to the arts, broadening the spectrum of quality exhibits and performances available to the community, and fostering individual interactions with the arts through a wide range of satellite groups. The Cultural Arts Council is supported in part by the City of Douglasville and the Douglas County Board of Commissioners.