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Annual Area Youth Art Exhibition to Open at LCVA on May 28

The Longwood Center for the Visual Arts is proud to present *Start with Art, Learn for Life: The Annual Area Youth Art Exhibition*, which will be on display at the LCVA from May 28 until July 25. This program is made possible in part through the very generous support of Southside Electric Cooperative. “It is an honor to support the LCVA, especially the Youth Art Show,” said SEC Vice President of Member and Public Relations Ron White. “Knowing that this program touches numerous young lives, many living in households served by SEC, is rewarding. Thank you LCVA for enriching the communities that we serve.”

For over 20 years, the LCVA has organized and hosted the largest youth art exhibition in the Commonwealth of Virginia. This year’s exhibition includes over 1,500 works of art created by Pre-K to Grade 12 students, under the guidance of 54 teachers, from 49 public, private, and home schools in 14 counties and 1 borough. Participating counties include Amelia, Appomattox, Buckingham, Charlotte, Cumberland, Goochland, Halifax, Henrico, Lunenburg, Lynchburg City, Mecklenburg, Nottoway, Powhatan, and Prince Edward. The LCVA invites visitors to view this exhibition during gallery hours on Tuesday through Saturday 11 am to 5 pm and Sunday 1 to 5 pm.

Prince Edward County Elementary School students also created a special installation of artwork inspired by Mexican artist Frida Kahlo under the guidance of art teachers Brooke Eamigh, Jean Martin, and Joy Utzinger. Over 800 students created individual and group drawings, paintings, and sculptures, drawing inspiration from Frida Kahlo’s art and the Central and South American rainforests animals and plants that she painted.

About LCVA

The Longwood Center for the Visual Arts presents a rotating program of inspiring and conversation-starting exhibitions. Admission to LCVA and its programs is—and always has been—free for all. It is located at the intersection of Main and Third Streets (129 North Main Street) in Farmville, Virginia. For additional information on these exhibitions or other programs and events, contact LCVA at lcvainfo@longwood.edu or 434.395.2206

Jaybran Degree, Grade 7, O'Keeffe Inspired Iris Bouquet, watercolor, Bluestone Middle School, Laura Dedmond-Whorley ‘08, Teacher