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[2016 New Contemporaries: SD Art Prize Nominated Emerging Artists](#)
at [City College Gallery](#) with new **Public Choice award.**



San Diego, CA – May 15, 2016 - [San Diego Visual Arts Network](#) is excited to announce the new **Public Choice** award for the [2016 New Contemporaries](#). To allow visitors at [City College Gallery](#) to vote for their favorite artists in the exhibition, an addition to our [SD View Art Now](#) app was created by **Anand Bora**, **Founder Determinant Studios**. Mr. Bora is flying in from India to be present at the closing reception and announcement of the recipients.

[2016 New Contemporaries](#) SD Art Prize Nominated Artists will all be showing at [City College Gallery](#) (1508 C Street, San Diego 92101) from Sat. June 18 - Thurs. July 14, 2016 with an opening Reception: Sat. June 18, 6 - 8 pm. The artists included are [Robert Andrade](#), [William Feeney](#), [Kim Garcia](#), [Robert Michael Jones](#), [Erin Dace Behling](#), [Sasha Koozel Reibstein](#), [Aren Skalman](#), [Graham Smith](#), [Shinpei Takeda](#), [Paola Villasenor \(PANCA\)](#), [Nicole Waszak](#). Two artists from this exhibition will be chosen to receive the 2016 SD Art Prize. Additionally there will be an extra cash prize for the **Public Choice award**. Announcements of the recipients will be made on Thurs. July 14 at the end of the City College exhibition. The two emerging artists chosen for the SD Art Prize will in turn select two established artists to mentor them and to be co-exhibitors at the [Athenaeum Music & Arts Library](#) in the spring of 2017.

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Sat. June 18 - Thurs. July 14, 2016

Opening Reception: Sat. June 18, 6 - 8 pm

Closing Reception: Thurs. July 14, 4 – 5 pm with Recipients Announcement with **Anand Bora**, **Founder [Determinant Studios](#)**

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[City College Gallery](#)

1508 C Street, San Diego 92101

Exhibition hours: regular gallery hours

Tue – Thurs 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. Plus by Appointment and for opening reception

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Exhibiting Artists:

[Robert Andrade](#) nominated by [Ginger Porcella](#), Executive Director, [San Diego Art Institute](#)
[William Feeney](#) nominated by [Patricia Frischer](#), coordinator, [San Diego Visual Arts Network](#)
[Kim Garcia](#) nominated by [Ann Berchtold](#), founder, [Art San Diego Contemporary Art Fair](#)
[Robert Michael Jones](#) nominated by [Peter Scheidt](#), artist
[Erin Dace Behling](#) nominated by [Wendy Maruyama](#), artist
[Sasha Koozel Reibstein](#) nominated by [Tara Centybear](#), Curator at [San Diego History Center](#),
freelance Curator for the [La Jolla Historical Society](#), Artist, and Teacher at [MiraCosta College](#)
[Aren Skalman](#) nominated by [Erika Torri](#), Executive Director, [Athenaeum Music & Arts Library](#)
[Graham Smith](#) nominated by [Kevin Inman](#), artist
[Shinpei Takeda](#) nominated by [Terri Hughes-Oelrich](#), [City College Gallery](#)
[Paola Villasenor \(PANCA\)](#) nominated by [Alex Zaragoza](#), freelance arts and culture writer
[Nicole Waszak](#) nominated by [Debra Poteet](#), collector

The [SD ART PRIZE](#) is dedicated to the idea that the visual arts are a necessary and rewarding ingredient of any world-class city and a building block of the lifestyle of its residents. Conceived to promote and encourage dialogue, reflection and social interaction about San Diego's artistic and cultural life, this annual award honors artistic expression. The **SD ART PRIZE**, a cash prize with exhibition opportunities, spotlights established San Diego artists and emerging artists whose outstanding achievements in the field of Visual Arts merit the recognition. **New Contemporaries** showcases emerging artist nominated by the SD Art Prize.

[San Diego Visual Arts Network](#) strives to improve the clarity, accuracy and sophistication of discourse about San Diego's artistic and cultural life. SDVAN provides a resource-rich website and facilitates countless opportunities for inspiration and collaboration on visual arts projects. This is the only site designed exclusively for Visual Arts in the San Diego region. SDVAN is a 100% volunteer non-profit organization dedicated to reinforcing the idea that the visual arts are a necessary and vital part of the health of our city. SDVAN list over 2200 visual arts resource and gets one million hits a year.

[City College Gallery](#) is a forum for exploring contemporary art in a variety of media. Through innovative exhibitions, the City Gallery engages and inspires the academic population and surrounding San Diego community.

[Anand Bora](#), *Founder* [Determinant Studios](#) and his team are specialists in web and app development software including 3D web, print and design. The goal they achieve is seamless user interface design for their whole range of software and web products.

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Images available on request. Please look at links for catalogs for full selection: [2016 New Contemporaries Catalog](#)

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