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New Contemporaries VI Exhibit Opening at the Sparks Gallery

The Sparks Gallery (530 6th Ave, San Diego, CA 92101) is holding a **private continental brunch for members of the press** on **Wednesday, June 5th**, between 9 and 11 am. Press staff is welcome to attend and meet with the owner of the gallery, Sonya Sparks, during that time frame. By request artists will be present to answer questions about their work in the show. **Please RSVP sonya@sparksgallery.com 619.866.3146**



San Diego, CA - May 17, 2013 - **The Sparks Gallery** is honored to partner with the **San Diego Visual Arts Network** for its June exhibition: *New Contemporaries VI* and to host the Emerging Artist nominees for the annual **San Diego Art Prize**. Established Artists James Hubbell and Debbie & Larry Kline will select the winners this year to mentor for subsequent shows at the **ART SD Contemporary Art Fair**, and the **Athenaeum** later this year.

Exhibiting Artists:

- **Jennifer Anderson** nominated by **Arline Fisch**, Artist
Irene de Watteville nominated by **Jeffery Laudenslager**, Artist
Michelle Kurtis Cole nominated by **Patricia Frischer**, **San Diego Visual Arts Network**
Franco Mendez Calvillo nominated by **Debra Poteet**, Collector, **SD Art Prize** committee
James Enos nominated by **Ann Berchtold**, **Art San Diego Contemporary Art Fair**
Brennan Hubbell nominated by **James Hubbell**, artist
Sonia López-Chávez nominated by **Sonya Sparks**, **Sparks Gallery**
Marie Najera nominated by **Deanne Sabeck**, Artist
Timothy Earl Neill nominated by **Catherine Gleason**, Associate Director, **SDSU Downtown Gallery**
Griselda Rosas Nominated by **Vincent Robles**, Artist
Ilanit Shalev Nominated by **Betsy Lane**, **Betsy Lane Art**
Anna Stump Nominated by **Erika Torri**, **Athenaeum Music & Arts Library**

New Contemporaries VI Exhibition Dates: June 1 – June 30, 2013

Private showings by appointment only: June 1 – June 8

Opening Public Reception: Saturday, June 8, 7-10 pm -- **RSVP** required

530 6th Ave, San Diego, CA 92101 (Guests are encouraged to schedule a private appointment)

More Information: http://www.sdvisualarts.net/sdvan_new/artprizenc6.php

The Sparks Gallery represents art from emerging, professional, and student artists living in San Diego who create high-quality artwork in any form of media. The Sparks Gallery seeks to encourage patronage of local artists, while working to help establish San Diego as a strong art community. The Gallery will be open for the month of June and will close in July to begin renovations for a grand opening at the end of the year.

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.

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