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**Art Meets Fashion Show and Public Catwalk,
6 AMF exhibitions Open to the Public May 6 at the NTC Promenade in Liberty Station**

Remaining Team Exhibits Open this Month and Lesson Plans Making Headway at Local Schools

San Diego, Calif. – May 2011 – On the heels of the [VIP Fashion Show](#) at the San Diego International Airport on April 28, the free public opening for [Art Meets Fashion](#) (AMF) is taking place Friday, May 6 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. during [Friday Night Liberty](#), a monthly first-Friday evening of open artist studios, galleries and events throughout NTC Promenade Arts & Cultural District. MC for the night is the lovely Jessica Johnson ([Jeans4Justice](#)). The schedule is as follows:

- 5:00-8:00 – Team exhibits opening receptions at NTC galleries (team details and locations follow)
- 6:00 – Performance by Jean Isaacs San Diego Dance Theater in Legacy Plaza previewing [New Voices](#), which will be featured at Don Powell Theatre, San Diego State University May 14-15
- 6:20 – Team Fashion show in the Rose Garden
- 6:45 – Open catwalk where the public is invited to display their own creations

This County-wide project, which cross pollinates the fashion and art worlds, was two years in the making and culminates in May. "I've learned how to work with a group of talented comrades, and my vision is growing with this added stimulation," noted Alexandra Hart, artist on team Evolution Transformed exhibiting at NTC's Visions Art Museum.

An important and lasting component of the AMF project is to expose the youth in the San Diego community to opportunities in the arts, and the power of self-expression. The educators on each team wrote [lesson plans](#) that are now available free for teachers to access and implement in the classroom.

"It was wonderful to create lessons for my students to make wearable paper dresses that went along with Team Elevation's look of ash, mud, seed, water, and crystal," added Robin Przybysz, artist, art teacher at Santa Fe Christian schools, and educator for the Elevation team. "My art class is so excited to show with Team Elevation at Space4Art and have an exhibition of paper dolls at the airport (lower level of Terminal 2 East pre-security)."

AMF team exhibitions countywide are as follows:

- May 6 at NTC Promenade, 2640 Historic Decatur Road, 5:00-8:00 p.m. (map available [here](#))
 - The Gilded Cage at [fiveloaves twofish](#) (Barracks 19)
 - [Evolution Transformed](#) at [VISIONS ART Museum: Contemporary Quilts and Textiles](#) (Bldg 202)
 - Wired at [ARTS A Reason to Survive](#) (Bldg 201)
 - [Mannequin Project](#) Exhibition at [ARTS A Reason to Survive](#) and [Sophie's Gallery](#) (Bldg 201/202)
 - AMF Artists Exhibition at [Weiss Gallery in Dance Place](#) presented by Jean Isaacs San Diego Dance Theater
 - [Jeans4Justice](#) exhibit in the [Martha Pace Swift Gallery](#) (Bldg 201)

For more information: www.ArtMeetsFashion.org

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- Downtown San Diego
 - April 25: [Reflection and Flow](#) at [Alexander Salazar Fine Art](#), 6:00-9:00 p.m.
 - April 29: Results of [Zhibit.org online competition](#) at [L Street Fine Art](#), 6:00-9:00 p.m.
 - May 14: La Femme Noir at [Dolcetti Boutique](#), 7:00-10:00 p.m.
 - May 14: [Beauty's Privilege](#) at [Goga Boutique](#), 7:00-10:00 p.m.
 - May 21: [Elevation](#) at [Space4Art](#), 7:00-10:00 p.m.
- North Park
 - [Arts Collide](#) at the [San Diego Art Department](#)
 - [N-GOM](#) at [Planet Rooth Design Haus](#)
 - [Crossroads](#) at [Mosaic](#)
 - [UME: Honoring Multiculturalism](#) at [Glimpse Living](#)

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The San Diego Visual Arts Network (non-profit Public Charity 501 (c) 3 EIN #205910283) has a mission to improve the clarity, accuracy and sophistication of disclosure about San Diego's artistic and cultural life. We are dedicated to reinforcing the idea that the visual arts are a necessary and vital part of the health of our city. By providing a website with a directory and events calendar and facilitating numerous collaborations on visual arts projects, we hope to not only build the confidence of those involved in the arts, but disseminate information throughout San Diego thus raising the bar on the writing, production and appreciation of the visual arts in our region. SDVAN list 1700 visual arts resources, has 4,000-5,000 unique visitors to our website per month and get over one million hits a year. SDVAN has approx 3,500 on their opt-in mailing list. SDVAN exhibition resume includes: Little & Large, Movers and Shakers, SD Art Prize, New Contemporaries. www.SDVisualArts.net

FOCUS (Fashion Opportunities Connect US)

FOCUS is a fashion industry networking organization for emerging professionals with goals to: *Create* a community for those in fashion related industries to network, learn, and grow; *Generate* exposure opportunities for the emerging fashion market – designers, stylists, manufacturers, e-tailers, boutique owners, and other entrepreneurs; *Inspire* the San Diego consumer to explore the independent fashion scene; *Educate* – connect with experienced professionals who can share their knowledge with the next generation. www.focusSD.org

NTC Promenade

NTC Promenade is San Diego's new arts and culture district located at the former Naval Training Center. With 7 of its 26 historic buildings complete, NTC Promenade is home to over 37 museums and galleries, artist and design studios, dance companies, educational groups, multidisciplinary arts and other organizations that showcase San Diego's creative community and provide innovative experiences in the arts to the public. www.NTCPromenade.com

San Diego International Airport Art Program

SD International Airport Art Programs provides enhanced customer service by exhibiting artwork and presenting programs that engage travelers in innovative, memorable and considerate experiences. It creates an ambiance unique to San Diego and welcomes approximately one million people monthly to the airport and to the region. The primary purpose of the program is to present work from individual artists and cultural institutions that promotes cultural tourism through the presentation of visual and performing arts. <http://art.san.org>.

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Constance Y. White, SD Airport Art Program, Rana Sampson, First Lady of SD and AMF Honorary Patron, Jodi Kodesh, NBC anchor and MC (photo credit Kira Cosar)



AMF Team Gilded Cage at 5loaves 2fish (photo credit Kira Cosar)



AMF Team Elevation at Space4Art (photo credit Kira Cosar)

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