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Designer: Elina Sheripova Photo: Henry Young Team: Evolution Transformed At VIP Fashion Show and on exhibit at NTC's Vision Art Museum



Mannequin Artists: Thomine Wilson with Terry Williams Photo: Debb Solan On display at NTC's Sophie's Gallery

San Diego, Calif. – April 5, 2011 – Designs from the <u>Art Meets Fashion (AMF)</u> collaboration between local fashion designers, artists, documenters and educators will be featured in a VIP Fashion Show on Thursday, April 28 at the San Diego International Airport. Additional designs will be showcased at the public opening at NTC Promenade on Friday, May 6 at 6:00 p.m. accompanied by a performance from the San Diego Dance Theater.

"Collaborating with Art Meets Fashion has been a great partnership for NTC Promenade," said Alan Ziter, Executive Director for the NTC Foundation. "This project is a natural extension of the NTC Foundation's mission to provide artists and designers with a space to explore their creativity and for the public to interact with the many artists and designers who call San Diego home."

"There is a buzz going about and just about everywhere I go, folks are asking me, 'what's up with Art Meets Fashion and this event that's happening at the airport?' added Constance Y. White, Art Program Manager at the San Diego International Airport. "My response, 'Why not? Art is a part of all of our lives and everyone wear's clothes.' I look for opportunities to collaborate with local creatives and to feature culturally relevant collections, art and performances to the San Diego community and to our traveling public. The AMF event

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at the airport is the perfect situation that allows San Diego fashion designers and artists to present their innovative collaborations and inspirations in an unexpected venue. I would love to see San Diego evolve into its own fashion mecca. Could this be the start of something cool?"

To sneak a glimpse at AMF designs, check out the exhibit now featured pre-security in the Terminal 2 West baggage claim at the San Diego International Airport. The exhibit will be up through September. Those interested in attending the VIP Fashion Show on April 28 can contact <u>Patricia Frischer</u> of the <u>San Diego Visual Arts Network</u> at 760-943-0148 for more information. An RSVP is required.

The public opening on the evening of May 6 coincides with <u>Friday Night Liberty</u>, a monthly first-Friday evening of free open artist studios, galleries and events throughout NTC Promenade Arts & Cultural District. In addition to the AMF exhibition and San Diego Dance Theater performance, the public is invited to join in the strut down the catwalk and browse through AMF team exhibit opening receptions at The Galleries of NTC Promenade, as outlined below.

AMF team exhibitions opening countywide are as follows:

- April 16 in North Park
 - o Arts Collide at the San Diego Art Department, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
 - o <u>N-GOM</u> at <u>Planet Rooth Design Haus</u>, 7:00-11:00 p.m.
 - o <u>Crossroads</u> at <u>Mosaic</u>, 5:00-9:00 p.m.
 - o <u>UME: Honoring Multiculturalism</u> at <u>Glimpse Living</u>, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- May 6 at NTC Promenade, 2640 Historic Decatur Road, 5:00-8:00 p.m.
 - o The Gilded Cage at <u>fiveloaves twofish</u>
 - o Evolution Transformed at VISIONS ART Museum: Contemporary Quilts and Textiles
 - o Wired at ARTS A Reason to Survive
 - o <u>Mannequin Project</u> Exhibition at <u>ARTS A Reason to Survive</u> and <u>Sophie's Gallery</u>
 - Artists Exhibition at the Mandell Weiss Gallery in Dance Place presented by <u>Jean Isaacs San</u> <u>Diego Dance Theater</u>
- April-May in downtown San Diego
 - o April 25: <u>Reflection and Flow</u> at <u>Alexander Salazar Fine Art</u>, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
 - o April 29: Results of <u>Zhibit.org online competition</u> at <u>L Street Fine Art</u>, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
 - o May 14: La Femme Noir at Dolcetti Boutique, 7:00-10:00 p.m.
 - o May 14: Beauty's Privilege at Goga Boutique, 7:00-10:00 p.m.
 - o May 21: Elevation at Space4Art, 7:00-10:00 p.m.

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New Voices from San Diego Dance Theater, Photo by Manny Rotenberg, Choreography by Jean Isaacs Dancers: Blythe Barton and John Diaz, Original Fabric: Rosemary KimBal

San Diego Visual Arts Network (SDVAN)

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

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.

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. <u>www.NTCPromenade.com</u>

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