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LIBRARY FOCUSES NEXT ART EXHIBIT ON LOCAL PHOTOGRAPHY

Works by Eight San Diego-Area Artists to be Featured

SAN DIEGO – *Hiding in Plain Sight: Eight Voices in Contemporary Photography* gathers eight of San Diego's most talented photographers who are exploring the creative boundaries of photography. Each of the artists included in this exhibition (Andy Cross, Amanda Dahlgren, Judith Fox, John Brinton Hogan, Michael Mulno, Han Nguyen, Scott Polach, and Rebecca Webb) live and work in the San Diego region, adding to the cultural vibrancy of our community.

Using a wide range of approaches to photography—a medium undergoing significant technological and creative change—these artists draw a connection between San Diego and the global dialog with the medium. Taken as a whole, their collective output encompasses historic darkroom practices to cutting edge digital processes, as well as digital video, and unorthodox approaches using traditional photographic materials. The photographs on view introduce visitors to thought-provoking conceptual practices of the medium, images exploring beauty and its connection to our everyday world, while others invite us to consider how the regional landscape offers renewed vision and creativity when seen through an artist's lens.

Curated by Scott Davis, *Hiding in Plain Sight* provides a window into the current state of contemporary photography, while celebrating some of the region's most talented and visionary photographers.

Hiding in Plain Sight opens Saturday, September 6, 2014 in the Art Gallery on the 9th Floor of the Central Library @ Joan A Irwin Jacobs Common. It will run through Monday, January 12, 2015. A reception sponsored by the Friends of the Central Library is planned for Saturday, September 6, from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. The exhibition and reception are open to the public and admission is free.

The Library Shop will celebrate the opening of the exhibit at Booked for the Evening on Thursday, September 11 at 7 p.m. Guests will have a chance to experience the new show, hear from the curator, mingle with the artists and enjoy the library's beautiful 9th floor after hours. This is a ticketed event and includes food and one drink. Please visit the Library Shop or libraryshopsd.org for more details.

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The San Diego Public Library’s Visual Arts Program is a nationally recognized series of exhibitions that demonstrate the Library’s role as a cultural institution embracing a broad range of disciplines, while assisting San Diego’s mid-career and established artists in achieving wider local, regional, and national attention.

The Program is part of *On View*, the San Diego Public Library commitment to provide a dynamic and ever responsive Library Arts and Culture Exhibition Program. Rotating exhibitions can be enjoyed at many of the 35 branch libraries as well as in the fine art gallery and Valeiras Sculpture Garden on the ninth floor of the new Central Library @ Joan A Irwin Jacobs Common. *On View* programs allow free access to cultural exhibitions and the visual arts, while promoting San Diego artists and creative community groups.

Additional information on the current exhibition and *On View* are available on the Library’s website at www.sandiegolibrary.org.

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