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Exhibit of Works by Noted Local Artist Ed Mix to be Displayed at Pacific Beach/Taylor Branch Library

More than 30 Examples of Artist's Work That Have Never Before Been Displayed

SAN DIEGO – The [City of San Diego Public Library's Visual Art Program](#) will host an exhibit of works by Ed Mix from June 8 through July 10 at the Pacific Beach/Taylor Branch Library. "Ed Mix – Works on Paper" will feature more than 30 of the local artist's works that have never before been publicly displayed.

A reception for the artist will be held June 12 from 1 to 4 p.m. Like the exhibit, the reception is free and open to the public.

One of San Diego's most respected artists, Mix has been a presence on the local art scene for more than 50 years. His primary interest is the human figure. His energetic, abstracted forms executed in black ink brushed on paper are rendered directly from the model and are regarded as contemporary classics in gestural work. Occasionally Mix departs from the figure with non-objective compositions or augments his bold brushwork with vibrant washes of color. His style evokes comparison to abstract expressionist Franz Kline, but is instantly recognizable as his own.

The works on display range from powerful black and white figure studies to bold and colorful abstract compositions.

A veteran of World War II, Mix attended the Chouinard Arts Institute in Los Angeles and the famed La Esmeralda art school in Mexico in the late 1940s and early 1950s before permanently settling in San Diego. Soft-spoken, shy and unassuming, Mix leads an unusually modest lifestyle, assiduously avoiding the art world spotlight and distaining the idea of self-promotion. However, serious collectors prize his work and his fellow artists regard him as an inspiration.

The Pacific Beach/Taylor Branch Library is located at 4275 Cass St. The branch is open Mondays and Wednesdays from noon to 8 p.m.; Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; and Sundays from 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, contact the branch at 858-581-9934 or visit the Library on the City's Web site at <http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/>.

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