

New Exhibition at Nevada Humanities Focuses on the Power of Community

"Unity: Community, Family, and the Future" Opens June 2, 2022

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June 1, 2022—LAS VEGAS, NV—As part of the ongoing <u>Nevada Humanities Exhibition Series</u>, a new exhibition, <u>Unity: Community, Family, and the Future</u>, opens at the Nevada Humanities Program Gallery on June 2, 2022, and will be on display online at nevadahumanities.org.

Unity: Community, Family, and the Future is an exhibition of images and poetry created by innovative thinkers throughout Nevada to shine a light on the need to come together as a community made up of diverse people, cultures, and identities. Unity is a concept that has long shaped our national story as an integral part of our shared traditions and a hallmark of our many cultures. This exhibition examines unity as a concept that helps us build a shared future for our families, communities, and nation despite our many differences.

Unity: Community, Family, and the Future will feature the following artists: Ben Aleck, Janine Heidi Barlese, Montana Black, Antoinette Cavanaugh, Fawn Douglas, Linda Dufurrena, Shan Michael Evans, Jack Malotte, and Joseph Watson. The following poets will also be featured: Angela M. Brommel, Carolyn Dufurrena, Harry Fagel, Shaun T. Griffin, Rodney Lee, and Elizabeth Quiñones-Zaldaña.

This exhibition is a part of Nevada Humanities' *A More Perfect Union* initiative, where Nevada Humanities has been asking at public programs across Nevada, "What does it take to build and belong to a more perfect union?" This initiative fosters an appreciation for the connections between the humanities, our community stories, and a commitment to understanding the founding of the country in all its complexities.

"What makes a nation? What makes a place where people come together to share in the work of forging a future for themselves and their families into a community? I hope that this exhibition provides an opportunity and inspiration for people to reflect on these questions and be reminded that we all need to depend on each other despite our differences. This reflection is at the heart of this exhibition," said Bobbie Ann Howell, Nevada Humanities Program Manager.

The exhibition will be open to the public for viewing by appointment only Tuesday - Thursday from 1 - 4 pm and until 9 pm PDT the first Friday of the month at the Nevada Humanities Program Gallery, 1017 South 1st Street, #190 in Las Vegas, Nevada. In-person viewing will close on July 27, 2022. An exhibition reception will take place at the Nevada Humanities Program Gallery in Las Vegas on Wednesday, July 6, 2022, from 5 to 8 pm PDT with monitored entry to accommodate social distancing. Shared reflections inspired by the exhibition may be viewed at nevadahumanities.org. Space to view the exhibition in person is limited, and masks will be required regardless of vaccination status. Contact Bobbie Ann Howell, Program Manager at Nevada Humanities, at bahowell@nevadahumanities.org or 702-800-4670 to make a viewing appointment.

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About Nevada Humanities: Nevada Humanities is one of 56 independent, nonprofit state and territorial humanities councils affiliated with the National Endowment for the Humanities. With offices in Reno and Las Vegas, Nevada Humanities creates public programs and supports public projects statewide that define the Nevada experience and facilitate the exploration of issues that matter to the people of Nevada and their communities. For more information about Nevada Humanities visit nevadahumanities.org.

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Artwork by Joseph Watson. Unity. Acrylic embellished giclee.