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Cuban artist portraits and a Hollywood mural project spark the visual arts week

A portrait of Isabel Toledo is part of the ‘Cuba Out of Cuba’ exhibit, created in collaboration with Tico Torres, at the MDC Museum of Art + Design. | Alexis Rodriguez-Duarte
Portraits of Cuban artists and performers at Miami Dade College’s Museum of Art + Design, a photography project that will become a large-scale mural in Hollywood, a retrospective of Miami sculptor Susan Banks’ work, an exhibition of objects designed by a Swedish prince, and a Coral Springs comics festival are on South Florida’s visual arts horizon this week.

▪ “Inside Out Downtown Hollywood” is a unique global photography art project inspired by world-renowned Parisian street artist JR, who uses photos of the human face in massive installations on walls, sidewalks, streets and historic buildings. Project organizers are looking for Hollywood residents to be a part of a large-scale mural planned for 1740 S. Young Circle. On Saturday from noon to 3 p.m., portraits will be shot by a professional photographer at the Art & Culture Center of Hollywood, 1650 Harrison St. Approximately 200 photos from this open session will be selected for inclusion, and those images will be pasted on walls before the June 13 unveiling. For more information on the Broward 100’s Inside Out project, visit www.broward.org/Broward100/InsideOut/ (http://www.broward.org/Broward100/InsideOut/) or email broward100@broward.org.

▪ “Cuba Out of Cuba: Through the Lens of Alexis Rodriguez-Duarte” is currently on view inside the Freedom Tower at the Cuban Diaspora Cultural Legacy Gallery, Miami Dade College’s permanent space dedicated to the impact of Cuban culture on South Florida and the world. The photography exhibit, on view through Aug. 30, was created in collaboration with Tico Torres and presents a selection of photographs of Cuban writers, performers, composers, designers and artists. MDC Museum of Art + Design is in the Freedom Tower, 600 Biscayne Blvd., Miami. Call 305-237-7700 or visit www.mdcmoad.org/exhibitions/cuba-out-of-cuba.aspx (http://www.mdcmoad.org/exhibitions/cuba-out-of-cuba.aspx).

▪ The Coral Springs Museum of Art is hosting its first annual Comics Fest with guest artists from DC Comics, Marvel, Archie and others Friday and Saturday. The museum is offering festival activities for comic book fans of all ages, starting with a VIP artist reception on Friday at 7 p.m. VIP admission for the weekend is $30, general admission $10. Entry is free for children under 2. To purchase tickets, visit http://coralspringsmuseum.org/comics-fest-coral-springs/ (http://coralspringsmuseum.org/comics-fest-coral-springs/). The museum is located at 2855 Coral Springs Dr., Coral Springs. Call 954-340-5000 for information.

▪ A retrospective by artist Susan Banks is on view at New World School of the Arts’ New World Gallery, 25 NE Second St., Miami, through May 15. The exhibit, titled “Current Work,” explores the artist’s view of nature. Banks has been teaching at New World for more than two decades. To
learn more, visit www.nwsa.mdc.edu.

- Arango Design in South Miami is showing an exhibition of vases, bowls and centerpieces designed by Swedish Prince Carl Philip Bernadotte and Oscar Kylberg, produced in partnership with the Danish company Stelton, through May 25. A special reception is set for May 11 from 6 to 8 p.m. The store is located at 5864 Sunset Dr., South Miami. For more information, call 305-661-4229 or visit www.arango-design.com.

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