During Art Basel, Freedom Tower hosts Argentine artists

Art Basel Miami Beach, which begins this week, is one of the most important art fairs in the world, replicating in the United States the fair seen every year in Basel, Switzerland.

During the event, the Consulate General of Argentina and the Center for Argentine Promotion in Miami have organized an exhibition and event that will highlight our country’s institutional presence, its art and some of its products.

The art exhibit, *AR IN MI*, features the work of eight Argentine artists who live or have lived in Miami: Pérez Celis, Karina Chechik, Mariano Costa Peuser, Marina Font, Pachi Giustinian, Carolina Sardi, Sebastian Spreng and Sergio Vega. Their works will be shown from Dec. 3-6.

Thanks to the support of Miami Dade College, one of South Florida’s most important educational and cultural institutions, and particularly of its president, Eduardo Padrón, the consulate will have space in the Freedom Tower, one of Miami’s iconic buildings, to stage acts of cultural, commercial and institutional significance and emblematic of Argentina.

The lights that illuminate the building’s facade with the colors of the Argentine flag will be visible from various points in Miami.

The opening reception will be held at 7 p.m. Dec. 3 and feature a tasting of wines from 10 Argentine wineries. Sommeliers will explain the characteristics of each wine; the ice cream salon Freddo, with two parlors in Miami, will offer its handcrafted ice cream; and Quilmes will serve its famous beer.

Guests will receive a “map” of an Argentine art in Miami, artists and galleries at Art Basel and the satellite art fairs open during the week.

In addition, Argentina will also be represented at the art fair *Untitled*, Dec. 2-6, one of the satellite fairs of Art Basel Miami Beach.

For information about the Freedom Tower exhibit, visit www.mdcmoad.org. To learn more about *Untitled* go to art-untitled.com.

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