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The Art Museum at the University of Toronto presents the 2021 Shelley Peterson Student Art Exhibition

Toronto, May 18, 2021—The 2021 University of Toronto Shelley Peterson Student Art Exhibition is an annual exhibition celebrating the artistic excellence of undergraduate students enrolled in visual studies programs across the University of Toronto's three campuses. The exhibition offers a meeting place for students to exchange ideas through their diverse artistic practice. The twenty emerging artists explore themes related to the repetition of daily rituals, memories of home and family, sexuality and gender norms, and the spirit of renewal brought forth by the natural world.

The exhibition is curated by Jaime Meier, Erika Serodio, and Delaney Sweep as part of their Master of Museum Studies' Exhibition Project at the Faculty of Information, University of Toronto. Their project mentor was Dr. Liora Belford.

Exhibiting artists:

Veronica Spiljak (UTM), Ujwal Mantha (UTSC), Freia de Waal (St. George), Sitong Guo (UTSC), Laura Alcazar Prada (UTSC), Robin Boehlen (St. George), Wing Lam Leung (UTSC), Christeen Salik (St. George), Rika Nakane (UTSC), Sojeong (Jacqueline) Kim-Fujita (St. George), Matthew Kieffer (St. George), Vi Thao Nguyen (St. George), James Legaspi (UTM), Hanyue (Noah) Qin

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(UTSC), Zi (Gabriella) Yan Bai (UTSC), Jamie Katrina Harris (St. George), Christiana Ceesay (UTSC), Anita Gairns (St. George), Sylvie Stojanovski (UTSC), and Natalie Chiovitti (UTM)

Amongst these artists, **Ujwal Mantha**, **James Legaspi**, and **Robin Boehlen** were selected for awards by **Adelina Vlas**, **Associate Curator of Contemporary Art at the Art Gallery of Ontario**. She states: “It has been a real pleasure to engage with these emergent practices and I look forward to encountering them again in person in the future. Congratulations to the curators and all the participating artists!”

The online exhibition launches on **Wednesday, May 19, 2021** on Art Museum’s website:

artmuseum.utoronto.ca/exhibition/2021-university-of-toronto-shelley-peterson-student-art-exhibition/

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About the Art Museum at the University of Toronto

The Art Museum is one of the largest gallery spaces for visual art exhibitions and programming in Toronto. The Art Museum organizes and presents an intensive year-round program of exhibitions and events that foster—at a local, regional, and international level—innovative research, interdisciplinary scholarship, and knowledge of art and its histories befitting Canada’s leading university and the country’s largest city.

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The Shelley Peterson Student Art Exhibition is presented in partnership with the Master of Museum Studies at the Faculty of Information, the Visual Studies program at St. George campus, the Studio Art program at UTSC, and the Art & Art History program jointly offered by the UTM and Sheridan College.

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