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**Ways of Seeing
Gallery CA
June 7 – July 20, 2019**

Opening Reception: Friday, June 7, 6-9pm

Ways of Seeing is an exhibition co-curated by Anil Lewis and Sarah McCann that invited artists to submit work that can be “seen” through all five senses. The exhibition questions the meaning of seeing, how people experience the world and the ways in which they work to understand, particularly those with a different experience. Curators that are both blind and sighted worked directly with artists who created new work for the exhibition. The exhibition will be accessible to blind and sighted audiences, providing an opportunity for an immersive art experience.

Ways of Seeing will be on view June 7 - July 20, 2019 at Gallery CA, a contemporary arts space devoted to showcasing local, regional, national and international artists located at: 440 E. Oliver Street, Baltimore, MD 21202. Gallery hours are Monday - Friday 12-4pm and by appointment.

Artists included are: Luanne Burke (CO), Jenny Callahan (CO), Cindy Cheng (MD), Del Hardin Hoyle (NY), Sallah Jenkins (MD), Dominic Terlizzi (MD), David Ubias (PA), Michael A. Williams (TN), Marguerite Woods (MD), and George Wurtzel (TN).

The exhibition is supported by a Creative Baltimore Fund Individual Artist Grant, Baltimore Office of Promotion & the Arts, Maryland State Arts Council Creativity Grant Program and 75 individuals who backed a Kickstarter campaign. In addition, WayAround will be adding accessible information about each piece of art and artist. This information will be available on your smartphone via the WayAround - Tag and Scan app. Before coming to the exhibit, be sure to download the free app for iOS or Android so you can experience this new way of getting information accessibly.

Additional events include *All Dots Are Not Created Equal* on June 15 at 2pm a collaborative art-making workshop where participants will create their own tactile communication as well as learn how the quality of design in tactile and braille materials greatly impacts the users experience.

To RSVP, contact Ellen Ringlein by email at ERinglein@nfb.org or by phone at (410) 659-9314.

On June 22 at 1pm a *Tactile Art Panel* will be held with Mark A. Riccobono, President, National Federation of the Blind, Tactile Artist Ann Cunningham from Colorado and local artists Sallah Jenkins and Marguerite Woods who will share information on tactile arts and how creativity can connect across the unique ways we experience the world. Free and open to the public.

The gallery will also have extended hours for ArtScape weekend opening 9am-5pm on Friday and Saturday July 19 -20. Visit the exhibition and have a glass of lemonade.

ANIL LEWIS is the Executive Director for Blindness Initiatives at the National Federation of the Blind. The National Federation of the Blind is the only organization that believes in the full capacity of blind people, and has the power, influence, diversity, and determination to help transform our dreams into reality. NFB believes in blind people because most leadership positions are held by blind people. The majority of NFB members are blind, however, membership of sighted allies is encouraged.

SARAH MCCANN is a Baltimore based community artist, curator and non-profit professional. She organizes and installs exhibitions and related programming from conception to completion. Sarah has facilitated public and collaborative projects and looks forward to continuing her work in Baltimore and beyond. Sarah has a B.S. in studio arts from New York University and an M.A. and M.F.A. in Community Arts from Maryland Institute College of Art. For more information visit:

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