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#### Artists from Arts for All exhibit varied works at Tucson J

acrylics, watercolors and ceramics by artists from Arts for All, Inc., will be on display at the Tucson Jewish Community Center Fine Art Gallery through June 28. The artists include Bryan Briggs, Michelle Buscemi, Antonio Childress, Julian Dombrowski, Brooke Foster, Kevin Charles Judith, Brenda Lewis, Stephanie Lopez,

Whetsel.



'Mo swimming' by Michelle Buscemi

'Wall' by Michelle Buscemi

Abby Love, Evan Martin, Olga Michaels, Brian Mondeau, Anthony Orozco, Brent Quihuis, Sydney Roberts, Brianna Ruiz, Stacy Stokes, Shekitha Strong and Colin

There is great variety in the artists' choice of media, size, subject and style. Buscemi creates both abstract and realistic paintings using Laser Art Technique, which was devised for artists with limited mobility. With a laser mounted on custom headgear, the artist directs a tracker, who is trained to be her hands. The tracker becomes the paintbrush as the artist directs the laser.

"I love the feeling and look of gel and other acrylic mediums," says Buscemi. "I am very conceptual and portray my thoughts in symbols. I paint from the heart. ... I feel that abstract is easier for me to accomplish but realistic painting is more rewarding."

A reception with the artists will be held Wednesday,

May 23, at 1 p.m., and a gallery talk by Matthew Katz, a direct support professional and art teacher at Arts for All, Inc., will be held Sunday, June 24, at 2 p.m. Arts for All also will have a show in June at the Joel D. Valdez Main Library downtown.

Steven L. Sles began Arts for All, a nonprofit corporation, in 1979. Marcia Berger, a pediatric physical therapist,

founded Third Street Kids in 1985 to provide an afterschool program in the performing arts for children with and without disabilities. In 1986, Sles turned Arts for All over to Berger and the two entities merged, keeping the Arts for All name. Students, ages two through adulthood, come from throughout the greater Tucson area. Arts for All currently provides special considerations in its planning and programming for persons with physical disabilities, visual and hearing impairments, learning disabilities, intellectual disabilities, emotional disturbances, mental illness, behavior problems, autism, and seizure disorders. Arts for All currently has three programs that merge the arts with human services: daily out-of-school time classes, summer/winter arts camps and a day program for adults with disabilities. For more information, visit www.artsforallinc.org.

#### Hotel Congress displays work by Samantha Fein



'Loteria," mixed media by Samantha Fein

he Hotel Congress Lobby Gallery is presenting the artwork of Samantha Fein through June 4. Hotel Congress is at 311 E. Congress St.

Fein is an interdisciplinary artist born and raised in Tucson. Her pieces incorporate elements of ethnography, nonlinear storytelling, magical realism, and absurdist humor.

Fein earned a master of fine arts from the Mount Royal School of Art at the Maryland Institute College of Art. She received her B.A. from Sarah Lawrence College and studied abroad at universities in Cuba and Argentina. She has been awarded a Fulbright research grant to the Philippines, a fellowship to the Vermont Studio Center, and was the James Rosenquist artist in residence at North Dakota State University.

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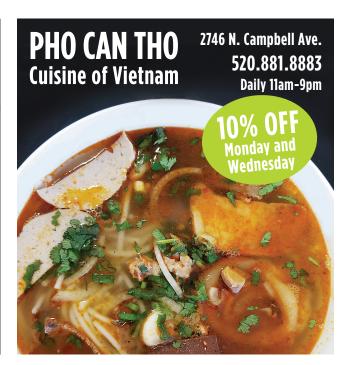


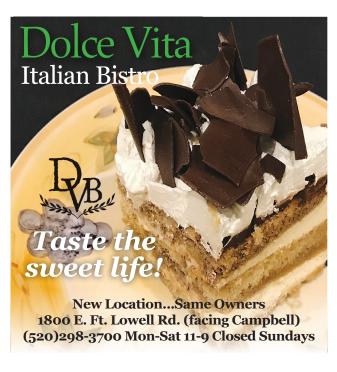


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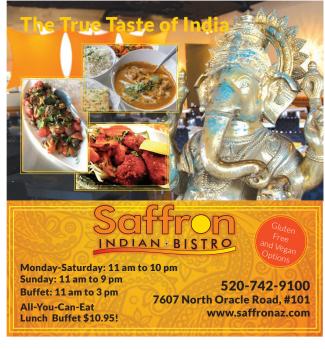




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