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**Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum's BidUP! Silent Auction Fundraiser Offers Original Art
Art sale and reception: Friday, November 16, 2018, 6-8 p.m.**

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Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum, the five-gallery museum at Mesa Arts Center, will host BidUP!, a silent auction and fundraiser featuring the work of artists from Arizona and beyond on Friday, Nov. 16, 6-8 p.m. Contributed artwork in a variety of mediums will be displayed in the Museum Nov. 14-16 and sold in a silent auction format during the 6-8 p.m. reception on Nov. 16. Admission to the event is free and all proceeds from the sale will benefit Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum's exhibition and educational programs.

"The event is a great way to support your local museum, while getting original works of art by stellar and talented local artists," said Tiffany Fairall, Curator of Exhibitions. The Nov. 16 reception also includes the premier of the 2019 Original Print Calendar, artists in attendance, a cash bar and sweet treats, musical entertainment by the Dusty Ramblers Project and a performance by Joe Willie Smith in his current exhibition, *KO MO – Not Knowing*.

Mesa Arts Center is located at One East Main Street in downtown Mesa.

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ABOUT MESA ARTS CENTER

The Mesa Arts Center mission is to inspire people through engaging arts experiences that are diverse, accessible, and relevant. Owned and operated by the City of Mesa, Arizona's largest arts center is recognized as an international award-winning venue. The unique and architecturally stunning facility is home to four theaters, five art galleries, and 14 art studios and an artist cooperative gallery. For more information, visit mesaartscenter.com.