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Muhammad Ali Original Art Added to **ICONIC: Black Panther** Los Angeles Exhibit

SEPIA Collective Announces List of Artists and Programming for Exhibit Opening April 8th

(Los Angeles, CA). **SEPIA Collective** is pleased to announce original art from Muhammad Ali has been added to **ICONIC: Black Panther** in Los Angeles with over 50 artists participating. The group art exhibit opens **April 8, 2017** at **Gregorio Escalante Gallery + Medina Gallery**, 978 Chung Kind Road, Los Angeles, CA 90012. The opening reception is from 7 p.m. – 10 p.m. SEPIA Collective founder Rosalind McGary explains the significance of a show of this magnitude, “This show starts at the point of recognizing the **ICONIC** stature of the Black Panther Party as one of the most significant social justice movements in American History. From this starting point artists are encouraged to give their take on the party and the trajectory of its influence historically, socially, or in their own lives. The diversity of the artists and supporters involved guarantees discourse across racial, cultural and generational divides.”

Programming throughout the five weeks that the exhibit will be on view include: **April 15**, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m., **Bearing Witness: The Documentation of Self Determination** - An afternoon of storytelling at the **ICONIC Black Panther Party** art exhibition. Activists, artists and scholars will share their perspectives on the importance of the documentation of struggles for self-determination through short stories. There will be a conversation with the audience afterwards. **May 6**, 2 p.m. – 5 p.m., **Free Lunch Celebration**. Los Angeles based restaurants including LocoL will provide free lunch for attendees. **May 14**, 2 p.m. - 5 p.m., **Closing Reception**.

About the exhibit: The concept behind the exhibit is best summarized by Dr. Samella Lewis, “Through art we can trace history and as a consequence gain insight into our future.” **ICONIC: Black Panther** is multi-city fine art exhibit produced by SEPIA Collective. The Los Angeles installation is co-curated by Susu Attar. The show debuted in Oakland in October 2016. Each city in the multi-city exhibit will host a curated exhibit featuring primarily local artists along with internationally renowned artists and original art from founding Black Panthers. Several community events are planned throughout the month of April. The Los Angeles installation is presented by SEPIA Collective, Gregorio Escalante Gallery + Medina Gallery in association with Road to Artdom.

For more information about the show visit www.sepiacollective.com. For media inquiries contact April Rushing, 310-987-7318 or April@RushingMedia.com.

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ARTIST LIST

Sundus Abdul Hadi
Pilar Aguero-Esparza
Ali Al Sharji
Muhammad Ali
Jessica Alazraki
April Banks
April Bey
Lili Bernard
Beast Brothers
Blackat
Jonathan Blackwell
Aise Born
Kevin Bradley
Mark Bryan
Ben Caldwell
Robbie Conal
Justin Dixon
DossHaus
Emory Douglas*
Kristen Downing
Richard Duardo
Tatiana El-Khouri
Enkone
Shepard Fairey
Mark Steven Greenfield
Jeff Gillette
Zeal Harris
Samira Idroos
February James
Dana King
Alile Sharon Larkin
Craig LaRotonda
Dr. Samella Lewis + Maya Angelou
Michael Massenburg
Ryan McCann
Jean Melesaine + Lexx Valdez
David Mosley
Mohammed Mubarak*
Noni Olabisi
Jermaine Rogers
Laurel Shear
Toni Scott
Mahara Sinclair
Timothy Robert Smith
Robin Strayhorn
L'amour Suprim
Dewey Tafoya
Aisha Tandiwe Bell
Tsilil Tsemet
J. Michael Walker
Keith Walsh

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