



For Immediate Release

Subject: Ventura County Arts Council Showcase

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Ventura County Arts Council is excited to announce its second socially distanced exhibition, **REFLECT 2020**. In four large, storefront windows on Victoria Ave. and Moon Dr. in Ventura, four county artists respond to the hardships and reckonings afforded by the past year. Each window is conceived of as a diorama in which one of the artists has developed a relevant concept.

Featured artists, selected by a jury of arts professionals, include Carlos Grasso of Oak View, Josiah Guzik of Ventura, Belen Islas of Simi Valley and Ksenia McEuen of Ojai. The work ranges from fanciful cabinetry, immersive color experience, and paper collage to mixed media installation. The show reflects a wide range of cultural backgrounds and responses to the year 2020. The windows are lit after dark and for a very special experience; Grasso's *Colorspace* comes alive, transforming painted and shredded canvas into ever shifting color fields.



COLORSPACE by Carlos Grasso

New with this exhibition: A [downloadable Treasure Hunt](#) is designed to enrich the viewing experience for families, adults and children of all ages. *Treasure Hunt: Ways to Wonder* will be available on the Ventura County Arts Council [website](#). Also, watch for an opportunity to ask the artists questions that come to mind in our upcoming **Ask the Artist** Zoom event, coming soon.

Located at 1985 S. Victoria (at Moon) with parking in the rear, the exhibition currently on view will run until June.

About the Ventura County Arts Council

The Ventura County Arts Council (VCAC) advances the arts in Ventura County by providing arts education and opportunities in schools and other creative settings, by advocating for local artists and arts organizations, and by creating partnerships among artists, arts supporters, businesses, foundations and county organizations. It embraces diversity and equity, striving to reach low income and marginalized communities of color with programs that offer equal access to the arts.

VCAC was formed and incorporated as an independent 501(c)3 non-profit arts organization in 1997. It has been designated by the Ventura County Board of Supervisors as the local partner of the California Arts Council (CAC), with a mandate to serve the county's citizens in partnership with CAC.