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Education Foundation Hosts Annual High School Art Exhibit *Over 200 artworks on display at Ringling College of Art + Design*

Sarasota, FL (January 2018) -- The Education Foundation of Sarasota County will host the annual **createSRQ High School Juried Arts Exhibit January 13-15, 2018**. Created to elevate arts education, createSRQ has become the area's preeminent high school arts competition. The exhibit of over 200 pieces of art submitted by Sarasota County high school students will be on display at the Roskamp Exhibition Hall at Ringling College of Art + Design. The free exhibit is open to the public daily from 12pm to 4pm.

As part of the competition, scholarship awards are presented to the TOP 25 artworks plus Best in Show and People's Choice winners. These award-winning pieces will be auctioned at **The Bash: An Evening of Excellence Anew**. This signature fundraising event benefitting the Education Foundation will be held Friday, February 23, 2018, at the new Art Ovation Hotel in downtown Sarasota. Tickets are \$250 per person and can be purchased at EdfoundationSRQ.org/bash.

January 13-15, 2018 Juried Arts Show - Open to the public daily 12pm to 4pm
Roskamp Exhibition Hall | Ringling College of Art + Design
2700 N Tamiami Trail, Sarasota

February 23, 2018 The Bash: An Evening of Excellence Anew
6pm cocktails | 7pm Dinner and Surprise Performances
Art Ovation Hotel | Downtown Sarasota
\$250 per person

The Bash is presented by PNC Wealth Management and sponsored by numerous individuals and organizations including Tom and Sherry Koski, Ringling College of Art + Design, Swift Family Foundation, Community Foundation of Sarasota County, Gulf Coast Community Foundation, McIntyre Elwell & Strammer General Contractors, Tandem Construction and Willis Smith Construction.

About the Education Foundation of Sarasota County

The Education Foundation of Sarasota County is an independent partner working to advance philanthropic support for Sarasota County Schools. Its mission is to enhance the potential of students, promote excellence in teaching and inspire innovation in education. Guided by the belief that education changes lives, the Education Foundation strives to match each donor's passion with high-impact projects created to ensure students graduate with purpose and are prepared for a post-secondary pathway. The Education Foundation of Sarasota County and its philanthropic investors are champions for students, teachers, and schools.

For more information on how to be a champion for education, visit EdFoundationSRQ.org.

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