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FAR Bazaar 2017 Alternative Art Festival to Transform 30,000-Square-Foot Facility into Creative Art Space

Festival Brings Southern California Art Community to Cerritos College

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WHAT: Cerritos College in partnership with the Foundation for Art Resources (FAR) presents FAR Bazaar 2017, an art collective and festival.

FAR, one of the oldest artist-run non-profits in Southern California, will celebrate its 40th anniversary. To honor this milestone, Cerritos College will host the group's largest FAR Bazaar event on January 28-29, 10 a.m. – 10 p.m.

The large-scale event will be held in the College's abandoned 1950's midcentury modernist structure and former Fine Arts building. The structure is slated for demolition just days after FAR Bazaar 2017 to make room for the College's new modern facility. FAR Bazaar 2017 will occupy more than 50 abandoned rooms, transforming the facility's 30,000 square feet of interior into a collection of alternative art spaces curated by local art groups. Graduate students from regional universities and art schools, and food trucks and an art book/print fair will be onsite.

FAR Bazaar 2017 will feature a series of scholarly panel discussions on issues such as the history of artist collectives and artist-run spaces in Southern California and the plight of aging modernist architecture. In the newly relocated Cerritos College Art Gallery, there will be two exhibitions, one featuring the work of this year's Art+Tech Artist-in-Residence, Stephanie Deumer, and the other highlighting work by former FAR board members, amongst them current professors and administrators from Otis, Occidental, UC Berkeley, Scripps, and Art Center.

"We are excited to have more than 300 artists from across Southern California in this largest FAR Bazaar ever," said James MacDevitt, director/curator, Cerritos College Art Gallery and associate professor, Art History and Visual & Cultural Studies.

Participating Collectives & Artist-Run Spaces:

Association of Hysteric Curators | Ave 50 Studio | Biomythography | Boys of Summer | Concrete Walls | D-Block Projects | DH Arts Collective | Durden & Ray | Elephant | FA4 Collective | Finishing School | Hinterculture | Improvised

Alchemy | JAUS Gallery | LA Freewaves | Machine Project | Monte Vista Projects | Motherboy | Rough Play | Shed Research | Six Pack Projects | Slanguage Studios | South Bay Contemporary | Summercamp's ProjectProject | Tilt-Export

Graduate Student Artists from Participating Universities:

Art Center | CalArts | Claremont Graduate University | Otis (Fine Arts and Public Practice) | UC Irvine (Critical/Curatorial Studies and Fine Arts) | UC Los Angeles (Design Media Arts and Fine Arts) | UC Riverside | University of Southern California

WHEN:

Saturday, January 28 and Sunday, January 29 10 a.m. – 10 p.m.

WHERE: Cerritos College Old and new Fine Arts buildings 11110 Alondra Blvd. Norwalk, CA 90650

Campus map: www.cerritos.edu/quide or <a href="https://www.cerritos.edu/quide or <a href="https://www.cerritos.edu/quide or <a href="https://www.ce

COST: Event is free and open to the public.

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About Cerritos College: Cerritos College serves as a comprehensive community college for southeastern Los Angeles County. Communities within the college's district include Artesia, Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, La Mirada, Norwalk, and portions of Bell Gardens, Lakewood, Long Beach, Santa Fe Springs and South Gate. Cerritos College offers degrees and certificates in more than 180 areas of study in nine divisions. Annually, more than 1,200 students successfully complete their course of studies, and enrollment currently averages 23,000 students. Visit Cerritos College online at http://www.cerritos.edu/.