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## Miami Dade College Museum of Art + Design and CINTAS Foundation Announce 2014-15 50th Jubilee Fellowship Competition

*Finalists' exhibition to be held at Museum at MDC's National Historic Landmark Miami Freedom Tower*

**Miami, April 28, 2014** – The **Miami Dade College (MDC) Museum of Art + Design** and the CINTAS Foundation have announced the **opening** of the **2014-15 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee CINTAS Foundation Fellowship Competition** coinciding with the opening of the exhibition ***Impact and Legacy: 50 Years of the CINTAS Foundation***. The Jubilee competition is open to all four categories: visual arts, architecture, creative writing, and music composition. All submission materials must be received by July 1, 2014.

Marking its 50<sup>th</sup> year, the one-of-a-kind competition serves as a platform to promote and support visual artists, writers, architects and composers of Cuban descent from across the globe. *Impact and Legacy* celebrates 50 years of the CINTAS Fellows Collection, which is composed of works donated by the fellows in appreciation of the fellowship award. The Collection has grown to be one of the largest bodies of Cuban art outside of Cuba and continues to grow each year with each new fellow.

MDC Museum of Art + Design will host a variety of events to showcase the works of this year's finalists, including **the Visual Arts Finalists exhibition opening on Friday, October 10, at MDC's Freedom Tower**.

The winner of each category will receive a \$10,000 award and the opportunity to complete the project outlined in his or her proposal. Fellowships in visual Arts and music Composition are awarded annually. In recent years, the Fellowships in Architecture and Creative Writing are usually awarded in alternating years. "This year, the competition will be opened in all four categories to mark the 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee", said CINTAS Foundation Board President Hortensia E. Sampedro.

**Competition details and all program requirements and application forms can be found at [www.cintasfoundation.org](http://www.cintasfoundation.org).** <http://www.cintasfoundation.org/index.php/fellowships>

### **Past winners include:**

Architecture: Marta Canavés and Marilys Nepomechie (2012), José Bernardo, Luis Calzadilla, Andrés Martín Duany, Miriam Gusevich, and Tomás Luis López-Gottardi.

Creative Writing: Daniel Castro (2013), Ivan Acosta, Magaly Alabau, Reinaldo Arenas, Antonio Benitez-Rojo, Obie awards winner Maria Irene Fornes, Cristina Garcia, Lourdes Gil, Pulitzer Prize winner Oscar Hijuelos, and Achy Obejas.

Music Composition: Yosvany Terry (2013), Ailem Carvajal (2012), Jorge Martín (2011), Tania León, Sergio Barroso, Armando Bayolo, Mario Bauzá, José Bernardo, Aldo Rafael Forte, Julian Orbón, and Orlando Jacinto García.

Visual Arts: Angela Vallela (2013), Jillian Mayer (2012), Iván Abreu (2011), Gladys Triana, Guillermo Calzadilla, Félix González-Torres, Carlos Alfonzo, Teresita Fernández, Anthony Goicolea, Ernesto Oroza, photographers Andrés Serrano and María Martínez-Cañas, sculptor María Elena González, and filmmaker Mari Rodríguez-Ichaso.

### **About the CINTAS Fellowship Program**

The CINTAS Fellowship Program encourages creative development in architecture, literature, music composition and the visual arts. The Foundation was established with funds from the estate of Oscar B. CINTAS (1887-1957), the former Cuban ambassador to the United States, a prominent industrialist and patron of the arts. In June of 2011, the CINTAS Foundation entered into an extended loan to MDC's Museum of Art + Design of the CINTAS Fellows Collection, comprised of nearly 300 pieces by artists of Cuban descent living outside Cuba who have received prestigious CINTAS Fellowships, awarded since 1963. [www.cintasfoundation.org](http://www.cintasfoundation.org)

## **About MDC's Museum of Art + Design**

MDC Museum of Art + Design is Miami Dade College's flagship institution dedicated to the presentation and exhibition of visual art and design, located within the historic MDC Freedom Tower in downtown Miami. With more than 13,000 square feet of exhibition space, the Museum of Art + Design presents year-round exhibitions and educational programs, and is known for its presentation of exhibitions by emerging artists, designers, as well as major figures in modern, post-modern and contemporary art. With a mission to promote the appreciation and understanding of art and its role in society through direct engagement, original works of art, design, and related creative processes; the Museum provides residents and visitors access to unique cultural, historical, and educational exhibitions that enrich our community, while building and preserving its expansive permanent art collection. Available to the public five days a week, and as an admission FREE institution with a diversity of patrons and visitors, the MDC Museum of Art + Design is one of the largest and most accessible institutions in the South Florida area devoted to visual arts and design.

More information can be found on the Museum & Galleries website: [www.mdcmod.org](http://www.mdcmod.org).

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