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MPA Announces “Encounters: Works by Mia Halton” Exhibition Opening September 13 at 7pm

Featuring ceramic sculptures, drawings and paintings, exhibition highlights the small, ongoing encounters that occur every day

McLean, VA: McLean Project for the Arts (MPA) will open *Encounters: Works by Mia Halton* on September 13, 2018 in the Bullock | Hitt Gallery at MPA@ChainBridge (1446 Chain Bridge Road, McLean). The **Opening Exhibition Reception** will be held **Thursday, September 13, 2018 from 7:00 until 9:00 pm.**

Baltimore artist Mia Halton uses humor and metaphor to visually describe the joys, challenges and vagaries of being a human being in this world. Drawing on both paper and clay, she captures the

interrelationships between us, as well as the inner conversations that go on inside us, quickly and with a sense of urgency.



Work by Mia Halton

“This immersive exhibition is at once deep and light-hearted, as it uses humor and playful imagery to present a thoughtful look at the challenges presented everyday by the many interactions we all encounter,” said Nancy Sausser, MPA Director of Exhibitions.

Arranged as an installation, *Encounters: Works by Mia Halton* includes works created during Halton’s recent residency in Puebla, Mexico. The works represent an exploration of her challenges and experiences living and making work in this new, inspiring environment.

Ms. Halton will hold an artist talk on Sunday, October 14, 2018 at 12:00 noon in the Bullock | Hitt Gallery at MPA@ChainBridge. She will discuss the concepts and processes behind *Encounters: Works by Mia Halton*. The talk is **FREE** and open to the public.

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Encounters: Works by Mia Halton runs September 13 through November 3, 2018 in the Bullock | Hitt Gallery at MPA@ChainBridge. Visit www.mpaart.org for more information or to RSVP for the September 13 Opening Exhibition Reception and/or the October 14 artist talk.

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McLean Project for the Arts (MPA) is one of the mid-Atlantic region's most respected contemporary visual arts organizations. MPA provides high-quality art exhibitions showcasing the work of established and emerging artists, educational programs, art classes, MPAartfest, summer STEAM camp, and ArtReach, an award-winning program serving students in grades K – 12, seniors, and individuals with special needs. For more information, visit www.mpaart.org.