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“Love & Shadows” Art Exhibition

Celebration of Int’l Women’s Day and National Women’s Month

North Miami Beach, FL – On Saturday, March 10 at 6:30 p.m., the North Miami Beach Library will host the opening reception of the “Love & Shadows” art exhibition in honor and commemoration of women. The exhibit will highlight the works of over 30 contemporary artists, whose bold and imposing pieces celebrate and revere the literary works of Nobel Laureate author Isabel Allende.

“Love & Shadows” will feature the female figure and her strength in crisis, while remaining true to self regardless of societal misconceptions on the role of women. The vibrant stories of hope, in the midst of struggle and despair, depicted in so many of the Chilean author’s work will serve to renewed vision of a woman’s place in society. The exhibit will feature motivational speaker and bestselling author Jennifer Carroll, former lieutenant governor of the State of Florida. The exhibition will spotlight works by local artists and sculptors, including Gutemberg Salinas, Alicia Maria Vallejo and Ramon Pedraza. It will also include established muralist Freddy Villamil and Osmar Reyes, along with a host of many others who delight the South Florida Art Scene. The exhibit’s curation will showcase the best our Southeast Florida Community has to offer.

The opening reception for “Love & Shadows” will consist of art in various formats including installations and sculptures. The artists will be on-hand to share their stories, while charming vocals and energizing presentations take the stage. Appetizers will be provided and a cash bar will be available.

NMB Library’s observation of International Women’s Day has been celebrating accomplishments and energizing women of all ages to dream and achieve rather than allowing societal constraints to dictate the outcome of their dreams. As a member of the Institute of Museums and Libraries, NMB library endeavors to elevate education and the culture available to our City of North Miami Beach Community.

“Libraries have always been a level playing field for education and cultural interaction, what better way to celebrate International Women’s Day than by taking the time to reflect on where we’ve been, our goals, and what we have accomplished than through arts that elevate our spirit,” said NMB Chief Librarian Edenia M. Hernández.

This exhibit will deliver a formidable message of strength, resiliency and resourcefulness that will lead to flourishing dreams. “Isabel Allende faced the adversity of being a woman, being a professional, being an immigrant,” said Hernández, “and yet she rose to the international stage by writing books that elevated the vision of who women truly are.”

“Love & Shadows” will be on display through March 30.

About City of North Miami Beach Library

NMB Public Library is NMB’s Discovery District; our mission is to contribute to the over-all well- being of the residents by supporting an educated, self-reliant citizenry in a respectful and engaging atmosphere! NMB Library’s mission is to provide materials and opportunities of an educational, cultural and recreational nature that will improve the community’s quality of life through equal access, opportunities for lifelong learning, exploration and financial development in an environment that makes room for collaboration, discovery and success!

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