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Tascon given 'Sister Cities' scholarship

The fourth annual Miami-Dade Celebrates the Art of its Sister Cities art exhibition opened Sept. 15 with a reception at Miami Dade College's Tower Theater. Music major **Lislie Tascon** received a \$1,000 Sister Cities program scholarship for academic excellence.

The exhibition, *Uniting Global Citizens Through Art*, will be on display for public viewing until Oct. 15 at the Tower Theater, 1508 SW Eighth St. in Little Havana, 6-9 p.m. Mondays-Saturdays, 4-7 p.m. Sundays.

As part of the month-long Sister Cities celebration, the college scheduled several events to coincide with the exhibition. They include a youth education seminar by the artists whose works are on show, 9 a.m.-noon on Oct. 14, a silent auction of pieces in the exhibit, and a *Music & Art Uniting the World* concert headlined by pianist **Ray Casas** and singers **Manny Pérez** and **Susie Díaz** Oct. 15.

The participating artists include **Rosa Serra** of Spain, who is the designated sculptor for the International Olympic Committee; **Romero Britto**, Brazil; **Karin Elsner**, Bolivia; **Connie Ramirez**, Colombia; **Ana Isabel Quiroz**, Costa Rica; **Carlos Rodriguez**, the Dominican Republic; and **Gabriel Buenaño**, Ecuador.

Music in the Studio by Italian-born artist **Mila Hajjer** was named the event poster.

"I would like to encourage the community to come and enjoy these wonderful pieces of art," said **Norma Amaro**, Sister Cities Arts Committee chair. "A cultural exchange like this one strengthens the cultural relations between our communities."

TOWER CONCERT

Also at the Tower Theater, a group of internationally renowned musicians will perform at 8 p.m. Oct. 13 as part of the college's Hispanic Heritage Community Concert.

The featured artists will include soprano **Susana Diaz**, accompanied by pianist **Paul Posnak**. The new contemporary Latin jazz ensemble Negróni's Trio will give a special performance.

For more information, call Orlando Rojas, 305-643-8706.

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