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## NUMU HOSTS THE LGAA BIENNIAL EXHIBITION *GREATER BAY AREA OPEN*

**Los Gatos, CA – May 24, 2019** – New Museum Los Gatos (NUMU) is proud to host the biennial exhibition, *Greater Bay Area Open (GBAO)* organized by the Los Gatos Art Association (LGAA). This juried exhibition titled “Journeys” is juried by esteemed artist and Executive Director of the Richmond Art Center, Ric Ambrose. Works in a range of mediums, reflect the exhibiting artists wide interpretations of the show’s theme. Artist submissions originate from the greater Bay Area, spanning Walnut Creek to Pebble Beach. The exhibition opens June 28 and runs through September 8, 2019 at NUMU. A public reception with the artists will take place on Friday, June 28, 6pm to 8pm at NUMU.

Los Gatos Art Association President, John Giannotti states, “We are thrilled to be partnering with NUMU to present this special biennial fine art showcase that brings together extraordinary artists in the Greater Bay Area.”

For many years the former Museums of Los Gatos (now NUMU) regularly featured both member and open juried exhibitions organized by the LGAA. NUMU hosted *GBAO* in 2015 and 2017. “We are excited to continue our longstanding collaboration with the LGAA and host the 2019 exhibition,” says NUMU Executive Director, Maureen Cappon-Javey. “We welcome the opportunity to collaborate with artists and creatives in the community through this dynamic exhibition that serves to shine a light on exceptional works and practices from across the region.”

During his long career, *GBAO* Juror, Ric Ambrose has managed art collections and curated over 300 art, science and history exhibitions at Sangre de Cristo Arts Center in Pueblo, Colorado, the Fresno Metropolitan Museum, the Clay Center for the Arts and Sciences in Charleston, the Pacific Art League in Palo Alto, and the Lawrence Hall of Science in Berkeley. Ambrose taught studio art at Colorado State University, West Virginia State University, and Arapahoe Community College in Littleton, Colorado. His large-scale drawings have been featured in solo and group exhibitions across the United States, most recently at the Triton Museum of Art in Santa Clara in spring 2019. His work is represented in numerous public and

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private collections. Ambrose received his MFA in drawing at Colorado State University, and a BFA in studio art and art history at the University of Oregon.

## **ABOUT THE LOS GATOS ART ASSOCIATION (LGAA)**

The LGAA is a non-profit organization established in 1948 dedicated to the enrichment and support of the arts community. Its mission is to promote creative expression in the pictorial and allied arts by fostering high standards, extending appreciation, and encouraging cooperation and camaraderie among artists. The group has general meetings held monthly in the second Saturday 1:00-3:00pm at the Los Gatos Adult Recreation Center at 20 E. Main St., Los Gatos, where club business and art demonstrations occur. The meetings and membership are open to all artists and art supporters. For more information, visit [www.lgaa.org](http://www.lgaa.org).

## **ABOUT NEW MUSEUM LOS GATOS/NUMU**

New Museum Los Gatos (NUMU), formerly The Museums of Los Gatos founded in 1965, is a public non-profit art and history museum located in the Civic Center Plaza in downtown Los Gatos. NUMU's mission is to engage the community at the intersection of art, history and education through innovative, locally connected and globally relevant exhibitions, programs and experiences.

NUMU is open Wednesday 1pm to 5pm and Thursday through Sunday 11am to 5pm. Museum admission is \$10 general, \$6 military/seniors. Admission is free for NUMU members and visitors 18 years and under. NUMU is located at 106 E. Main Street, in the Los Gatos Civic Center Plaza. Visit: [numulosgatos.org](http://numulosgatos.org)

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