

# ART DUJOUR

## VAL'S VIEW

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### Boston's Teens Get Crafty!

On Friday December 19th from 5:00 - 7:00pm, Boston teens from The Possible Project will be showcasing their craftsmanship skills and entrepreneurial know-how in a holiday fair at Cambridge College. The inspiring group of students will be selling a variety of products from, homemade candles to custom iPhone cases. A great stop for last minute holiday gifts! The Possible Project is a youth entrepreneurship that teaches high school students to start and run their own businesses. Together we can help our students realize that anything is possible! For more information, visit [www.possibleproject.org](http://www.possibleproject.org). Photo property of The Possible Project.

## STRAND THEATRE EXHIBITION

Through December

GENERATIONS:

4 NOTED ARTISTS - 1 CELEBRATED FAMILY

Strand Theatre Gallery at 543 Columbia Road, Dorchester, MA

RECEPTION: December 13, 5-8 p.m.



Exceptional artwork by the wife, daughter and grandchildren of acclaimed author and journalist Konrad Bercovici. A critically lauded summer show at Provincetown's Julie Heller Gallery comes to Boston, in a newly expanded version, including paintings and drawings by the late Naomi LeBrescu, Mirel Bercovici and Konrad B. Abbott, plus the award-winning photographs of exhibit curator and family member Mirana

Comstock. Originally built as a silent movie house in 1918, Mirana calls the beautifully renovated Strand "A perfect venue for this unique show!" In addition to more than 40 books and 100s of short stories, her late grandfather, Konrad Bercovici, authored screenplays for Cecil B. DeMille, Victor Fleming and Chaplin's "The Great Dictator," as well as playing piano in New York nickelodeons in the early 1900s. The family circle also included such luminaries as Hemingway, Fitzgerald, Paul Robeson, the Gershwins, Brancusi and Modigliani whose sketch of the author is at MoMA many of whom had Bercovici art in their own personal collections. An historic and artistic event, *Generations* offers a rare opportunity to experience the cross influences of this celebrated family's work. For more information contact Suzanne Schultz at Canvas Fine Arts at [suzanne@canvasfinearts.com](mailto:suzanne@canvasfinearts.com)

## "Paint the Streets" Call to Artists



Sean Englert, a student at Boston Arts Academy (BAA), Boston Neighborhood Network Television (BNNTV) and Roslindale Arts Alliance (RAA) invite artists to participate in a very special art exhibit. Sean has been chosen by BAA to do a project for his school. Here is his winning project:

"My project, 'Paint The Streets' is a gallery exhibition as a way to raise awareness of pedestrian safety. In August of 2013, my younger brother was

hit by a speeding car on Walter Street in Roslindale. He survived the event with a broken leg. The whole accident greatly disturbed my family, also hurting us financially with payments for an ambulance, physical therapy for his leg, and two whole surgeries that had to be done. It came to my attention how often pedestrian/car related accidents happen, even in Boston. I want to raise awareness of this problem through a gallery exhibition. I have also started a Facebook page to open discussion on this issue. Please visit the page and like it and contribute your pedestrian experiences <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Pedestrian-Safety-Awareness/548144255296214>."

We are looking for local artists of all ages to interpret pedestrian safely in 2D images (no larger than 36 x 36 inches). The pieces should relate in some way to the dangers that pedestrians can face as street crossers, as well as the things that drivers can do to make sure that the people around them may be safer. Artists selected will be part of an exhibit in the physical BNN TV Neighborhood Art Gallery during January and February 2015. Images will also be shown in a video on BNN TV channels during those months.

There is no cost to participate. To participate email a jpeg of your artwork along with artist name, phone number, address, title of image, size, medium and sale price. Deadline to submit email is Saturday December 20. Art (ready to hang with wire on the back) is to be dropped off to gallery on Monday December 29. BNN TV Neighborhood Gallery is located at 3025 Washington Street, Egleston Square. All art will also be featured on BNN TV channels in a digital gallery during the length of the exhibit. Art work will be available for sale though the Roslindale Arts Alliance web site. Artists will receive 50% of the proceeds and 50% will be donated to WalkBoston, a non-profit pedestrian advocacy organization dedicated to improving walking conditions

For more information contact Janice Williams/RAA 617-710-3811 or [janice@artfulgift.com](mailto:janice@artfulgift.com) or visit [www.roslindalearts.com](http://www.roslindalearts.com) More info at [www.roslindalearts.org](http://www.roslindalearts.org).

## ART...

*An artist is someone who produces things that people don't need to have but that he — for some reason — thinks it would be a good idea to give them. ~Andy Warhol*

*Art Dujour* is brought to you by *Its All About Arts*, a television show on Boston Neighborhood Network Television with host Glenn Williams and co-host Valerie Eliason. The show features local artists both visual and performing and art administrators. Watch on *BNNLive* - Comcast 9 or RCN 15 or streamed live on [bnntv.org](http://bnntv.org). Mondays from 6-7 pm. To be a guest visit [itsallaboutarts.com/cable-show.htm](http://itsallaboutarts.com/cable-show.htm) or call 67-543-7443.

Shows: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ItsAllAboutArts1>