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Junior High Artists Invited to Join Annual Exhibit at North Suburban YMCA

Northbrook, IL: October 2014 – For the third straight year, the Community Gallery at the North Suburban YMCA will showcase the talents and creativity of local junior high students throughout the month of November. This year's Junior High Art Show, presented by the Y's Visual Arts Department, will be a non-competitive exhibit open to all students in sixth, seventh and eighth grades. Participants and their families will be invited to a free reception on November 9 from 4:00 to 4:45pm, which will include refreshments and raffle prizes.

"We are looking forward to seeing all the exciting projects that young artists share with us," commented Cathie Winnie, NSYMCA Visual Arts Director. "We opted to keep the show non-competitive this year because we want to encourage everyone to participate. We've always had a great variety of styles and perspectives in our junior high show, and we want to celebrate all of it."

Young artists are invited to submit one framed, two-dimensional piece of artwork at the Y's customer service desk between October 20 and 26. The art will be displayed in the Y's Community Gallery throughout the month of November. Artists will be able to pick up their work from the Y's Art Studio during the first week of December. The North Suburban YMCA is located at 2705 Techny Road in Northbrook. For more information about the junior high exhibit, or about visual arts classes at the Y, visit www.nsymca.org or contact Cathie Winnie at cwinnie@nsymca.org.



Photo Caption: Colorful artwork from junior high students will brighten the North Suburban YMCA's Community Gallery for the month of November.

About the North Suburban YMCA

The YMCA is a not-for-profit entity and relies on donations to make services available for all families and individuals in its 15-city region. All board members are volunteers, who donate their time, talents and financial resources. Located at 2705 Techny Road in Northbrook, the YMCA has served the northern suburbs of Chicago for over 45 years. The Y is about youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility, providing programs and services that address the needs of our diverse community and are accessible to all. For more information or to make a donation, contact Barb Flanagin at 847-272-7250 or bflanagin@nsymca.org, or visit www.nsymca.org.