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**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF CENTRAL FLORIDA HOSTS
REGIONAL FINE ARTS SHOW**

(March 6, 2017, ORLANDO, Fla.) Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida (BGCCF) is hosting the Boys & Girls Clubs of America's Fine Arts Competition for the Southeast Region. More than 600 works of art created by Club members from across the Southeast will be on exhibit at BGCCF's Walt Disney World Clubhouse in Pine Hills for two days: March 16 (12 noon to 8:30 p.m.) and March 17 (11 am – 4 pm). There will be a reception that's open to the public March 16 from 4 to 6 p.m.

"Boys & Girls Clubs from nine Southeastern states have shipped us their very best artwork for consideration," said Caberbe Joseph, BGCCF art director. "It's been so exciting un-crating these young artists' creations. The quality of their work is stunning."

Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida offers its members ages 6 through 18 the opportunity to participate in programs that encourage artistic expression in drawing, painting, collage, mixed media, sculpture, and more.

The Regional Show is being judged by a panel of local arts experts including Ena Heller, Director of Rollins College's Cornell Fine Arts Museum, Peter Schreyer, Executive Director of the Crealder School of Art, and local arts patrons Judy Albertson and Jan Clanton. The winning pieces in each category will advance to the National Fine Arts Exhibit in Atlanta.

In 2016, Debora Cordero, a member of BGCCF's Tupperware Brands Branch in Kissimmee, won Best in Show at the Boys & Girls Clubs of America National Fine Arts Competition with four mixed media pieces. She traveled to New York City to appear on Good Morning America and install a mural of her own design on the wall of the Harlem Boys & Girls Club.

The Walt Disney World Clubhouse is located at 5211 Hernandez Drive, Orlando, 32808.

About Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida

Since 1944, Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida has provided at-risk children from the local community, between the ages of 6 and 18, with a safe place to learn and grow. Our membership totals nearly 14,000 young people at 30 Clubs and middle school sites in Brevard, Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties.

The mission of Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida is to inspire and enable all young people, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens. Learn more at 407.841.6855, www.bgccf.org, facebook.com/bgccf, or twitter.com/bgccf.

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