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SHELDON CHILDREN’S GALLERY FEATURES GRAND CENTER ARTS ACADEMY STUDENTS’ WORK DURING A VIRTUAL SCHOOL YEAR

ST. LOUIS – The Sheldon Art Galleries presents *Virtual/Visual: The Art of Remote Learning - Grand Center Arts Academy Student Work 2020-2021*, November 5, 2021 – January 15, 2022 in the AT&T Gallery of Children’s Art. A free public opening will be held Friday, November 5 from 5 - 7 p.m. Gallery hours are Tuesdays – Fridays, Noon – 5 p.m. and Saturdays, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. and one hour prior to Sheldon performances and during intermission. Admission is free. For more information, visit TheSheldon.org or call 314-533-9900. More information about each individual exhibit available upon request. *This exhibition is sponsored by Mike and Chris Scavotto.*

The Sheldon continues to monitor the regulations and recommendations set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the City of St. Louis regarding the COVID-19 outbreak. **In accordance with City of St. Louis guidelines, we require everyone over the age of 5 wear a mask.** For an updated list health and safety guidelines for concerts and gallery exhibits please visit thesheldon.org/covid-updates/.

During the 2020-2021 school year, the Grand Center Arts Academy’s Visual Department worked hard to transition their in-person curriculum to a remote learning format during the pandemic. Teachers created art kits for every student that were specifically designed for each assignment in ceramics, painting, drawing, printmaking and graphic design. Virtual critiques were conducted so teachers and students could encourage each other with their projects. This exhibit features works and presentations created through virtual teaching and demonstrations.

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The Grand Center Arts Academy is an arts school in St. Louis, Missouri that focuses on dance, orchestra, band, visual arts, choir and theater. Opened in 2010, the school is located in the Grand Center arts district.

The not-for-profit Sheldon Art Galleries exhibits works by local, national and international artists in all media. Over 6,000 square feet of the galleries’ spaces on the 2nd floor are permanently devoted to rotating exhibits of photography, architecture, music art and history, and children’s art. A sculpture garden, seen from both the atrium lobby and the connecting glass bridge, features periodic rotations and installations, and the Nancy Spirtas Kranzberg Gallery on the lower level features art of all media. The Sheldon actively supports the work of St. Louis artists in all mediums and features a dedicated gallery with museum-quality exhibits by St. Louis artists, past and present.

Financial Assistance to the Galleries are provided by the Missouri Arts Council, a state agency and by the Regional Arts Commission and the Arts and Education Council.

For more information about the Galleries call The Sheldon at 314-533-9900 or visit TheSheldon.org.

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Image caption: Audrey L., Jar, Realism Project, 2020-21, acrylic paint on canvas, 8.5 x11. Courtesy of Grand Center Arts Academy.