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## SITE SANTA FE'S YOUNG CURATORS PRESENT:

## change

An Exhibition at the Center for Contemporary Arts, Muñoz Waxman Gallery

Opening Reception: Friday, January 23, 2009, 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Santa Fe, NM – **SITE Santa Fe's Young Curators** are pleased to present the fifteenth juried youth art exhibition, entitled *CHANGE*, which will be shown at the Center for Contemporary Arts, Muñoz Waxman Gallery from January 23 – February 13, 2009. Everyone is invited to an **opening reception** with the **Young Curators** on <u>January 23, 2009</u>, from 5 – 7 pm at the Center for <u>Contemporary Arts, Muñoz Waxman Gallery</u>, located at 1050 Old Pecos Trail. Hors d'oeuvres are generously provided by Santa Fe Railyard Restaurant and Saloon and Wok.



Young Curator, Sophia Livingston

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**CHANGE** is inspired by the changes that occur everyday: the development in our community, revolutions in government and politics, and transformations in the environment. In addition to the juried portion of the show, the exhibition includes ten 4 x 8 foot panels placed in different locations throughout the Santa Fe community. The public is invited to share its views on the concept of change by making art on these panels in painting, drawing, collage, and/or text. Some of the panel locations include Capital High School, Desert Academy, Monte del Sol High School, the Santa Fe Community College, Santa Fe Youth Shelters and Family Services, and Warehouse 21. Involving the community is an essential component of the exhibition and a blank panel will be available so visitors to the exhibition can participate as well.

Once again, SITE Santa Fe's Young Curators and the Santa Fe Rotary Foundation for the Arts have combined their efforts to promote youth and art in our community. Scholarships will be awarded to selected high school seniors who participate in the Young Curators exhibition from northern New Mexico who are committed to pursuing careers in the visual arts.

The Young Curators is a weekly after-school and summer program for high school students. The program's primary goals are to encourage teenagers' connection to contemporary art and provide a context for an exploration of the structure and production of exhibitions. The Young Curators learn the vast array of skills and procedures necessary for presenting a contemporary art exhibition. The process enhances critical thinking skills and exposes teens to a behind-the-scenes look at the various art institutions in Santa Fe. To learn more about joining the Young Curators program, or about upcoming exhibitions, please contact Joanne Lefrak at 505.989.1199, ext.19 or email at lefrak@sitesantafe.org.

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