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Latin American Contemporary Art Projects Hosts Collective II

Charlotte, North Carolina – Latin American Contemporary Art Projects (LaCa) proudly announces the opening of *Collective II: Latin American Perspectives*, a massive exhibition featuring both past and new works of twelve contemporary artists, all of whom hail from Latin America and have been featured at LaCa Projects since its opening three years ago.

The works in this dynamic exhibition demonstrate LaCa's dual endeavor to reveal complex elements of Latin American culture while also exposing the individuality and unique experiences of each artist. Whether through architecture, symbolism, anatomy, fantasy, or the like, the influences and images in this exhibition allow notable distance from traditional Western imagery and pay remarkable homage to the artists' roots, as each has been strongly influenced by their Latin American surroundings and upbringings. The works in this show, organized in order of their debut at LaCa Projects, bring a breadth and depth of styles that are rarely but beautifully married.

"Our vision of hosting a collective show each year, in honoring our anniversary, is an important way to educate and expose the community to unique styles and art forms, all within a Latin American context," says Neely Verano, gallery director. "We are also excited that two of our studio artists, Luis Ardila and Rosalia Torres-Weiner, will be featured in a group show at LaCa Projects for the very first time."

An exclusive opening event with several artists to celebrate *Collective II* will take place on Thursday, March 24 from 6-9 p.m. at LaCa Projects. The celebration will include presentations of Latin fare, dance, and music. SPACE IS LIMITED. **Contact Neely Verano at neely@lacaprojects.com or 704.837.1688 for more information, images, and to RSVP to the preview.**

Collective II runs through June 4, 2016. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday, and by appointment. Visit www.lacaprojects.com, or call 704-837-1688/e-mail info@lacaprojects.com for more information.

About LaCa Projects

Latin American Contemporary Art Projects is a platform dedicated to the presentation, development, and promotion of Latin American Culture within the United States. The gallery encourages cross-cultural dialogue by representing a small group of influential and thought-provoking contemporary, emerging, and mid-career artists, as well as exhibiting a broader range of work by established and Master Latin American artists. Its adjacent, remodeled warehouse is home to three studios, where artists create, interact with one another, and provide artistic engagement opportunities for the broader community.

LaCa Projects has committed to directing its profits to Latin American social and charitable causes, further reinforcing its mission to promote Latin American culture and contributing to important social change.