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Sunnyside Region Students Exhibit at ArtHop

What: Sunnyside High School region students exhibit farming-themed art at ArtHop

When: Thursday, April 7, 2022
5-8 p.m.
Exhibit up through April (For gallery hours, email leslie.batty@fresnounified.org.)

Where: M Street Arts Complex
1419 M. St. Fresno, CA (93721)

Students of all ages from the Sunnyside High School region have collaborated on a creative project highlighting local family farms and the seasonal offerings they produce. The culmination exhibit, “Fruits of Their Labor: Stories of Those Who Grow,” will open for the April ArtHop in downtown Fresno and continue through the month.

Students’ work aligns with “The Family Farm” multi-curricular project exploring local growers and agriculture. Teachers across the district have been working with their students on the project throughout this school year.

The exhibit will include:

- Paint on burlap of orchard fruit trees from Aynesworth Elementary School students
- Photography taken at three local farms and in-studio by Sunnyside High students
- Ceramic pots for growing herbs and sculptures of fresh produce by Phoenix Secondary Academy students
- Pen and ink drawings with a watercolor wash of local produce by Sunnyside High students
- Medium and large-scale painted portraits of members of local farming families from Sunnyside High students

“Through this project, our students are getting a closer look at some of our local family farms, learning what they produce and creating beautiful art from their experiences. This project combines our value of learning while helping to increase students’ engagement in their school and community, one of the district’s primary goals,” said Superintendent Bob Nelson.

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