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**The Bronx Council on the Arts presents
Three Art Exhibits in the Bronx and Governor's Island**

Longwood Art Gallery
El Diario/La Prensa 100th Anniversary Celebration: In the Headlines
Esther Pagan: My Colors of Cancer

6th Annual Governor's Island Art Fair
Marisol Diaz & Skowmon Hastanan

(August 29, 2013—Bronx) The Bronx Council on the Arts (BCA) and Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos College are proud to present ***Esther Pagan: My Colors of Cancer*** and *El Diario's* 100th Anniversary Celebration, ***In The Headlines: Latino New Yorkers 1980-2001***, opening October 2, 2013 as part of BCA's **First Wednesdays Bronx Culture Trolley**. In addition, BCA has organized a special exhibit on Governor's Island as part of its **6th Annual Governor's Island Art Fair** (GAIF), taking place in September 2013 only.

Esther Pagan: My Colors of Cancer is a multi-media installation of photographs, hand-crafted hats, sculpture, and poetry. The show is activated by Ms. Pagan online through her interactive web blog mycolorsofcancer.com. Esther was forever changed by breast cancer, especially after receiving the diagnosis over the telephone following a routine medical examination in 2012. This exhibit invites us to share as it celebrates her life, artistry, and ultimate beauty created from personal struggle. Public Programs (to be announced) will begin in conjunction with **Breast Cancer Awareness Month (BCAM)**, also referred to in America as **National Breast Cancer Awareness Month (NBCAM)**, in October 2013.

In The Headlines: Latino New Yorkers 1980-2001 is an exhibit of over 40 photographs, news articles, and historic front pages from *El Diario/La Prensa*, the longest-publishing Spanish language daily newspaper in the United States. The exhibition chronicles the growth and transformation of the Hispanic Community in the Bronx from the early revitalization of the borough in the 1980s through September 11, 2001. This program is part of a series of satellite exhibits citywide, commemorating the 100th Anniversary of *El Diario/La Prensa*. Presented in partnership with *El Diario/La Prensa*, Columbia University, the King Juan Carlos I Center at New York University, El Museo del Barrio, Hostos Community College and the Bronx Council on the Arts.

September 2013 ONLY: The Bronx Council on the Arts, invites you to ***BCA @ Governors' Island***, presenting current works by Bronx visual artists **Marisol Diaz** and **Skowmon Hastanan**, both BCA BRIO Award winners. This exhibition is organized by Longwood Arts Project, the visual arts program of the Bronx Council on the Arts and is free and open to the public **every Saturday and Sunday in September at Nolan Park Room #4B, Governors' Island, beginning September 7th 11:00am to 6:00pm**. GAIF is organized by 4heads, a New York-based arts organization that specializes in developing unique environments for the purposes of exhibition, education and artistic creation. **Marisol Diaz** presents black and white photographs that document local cultural icons from NYC's Lower East Side and East Village neighborhood. **Skowmon Hastanan's "Artist As Traveler"** is an imagined internal trip, exploring the subjects homesickness, nostalgia, and the longing for exotic landscapes.

For further information and updates on a full schedule of the Bronx Council on the Arts' fall 2013 exhibitions and public programs, please visit www.bronxarts.org.

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