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## PRESS RELEASE

### EXHIBITIONS AT THE ART MUSEUM

The Nelson Mandela Metropolitan Art Museum currently has two exhibitions on show that are curated from the Museum's permanent collection which pay tribute to both our natural and man-made surroundings.

### THE VIBRANT CITY

(10 September 2016 – 22 January 2017)

The exhibition explores how artists, both past and present, have depicted Nelson Mandela Bay. Works on show include examples from the Art Museum's historical collection showing the development of the harbour from a wooden block house in 1799 to a busy industrial hub. More recent works by local artists Robert Brooks, Alexander Podlashuc and George Pemba show the modern city while contemporary photographic artworks by Rob Duker and Marc Shoul focus on the lives of people living in Nelson Mandela Bay.

### BEAUTY IS ALL AROUND US

(8 October – 24 November 2016)

Paintings, prints and ceramics by local and international artists celebrate the natural world through depictions of landscapes, flowers and animals. Beautiful landscapes by Ruth Everard-Haden, Andrew Verster, Jenny Crooks and Gladys Mgudlandlu (among others) are on display alongside a 250 year old plant study print series of proteas and a contemporary print series titled Flowers as Images containing brightly colorful plant studies by well-known South African artists including Colin Richards, Hillary Graham and Derek Nxumalo. A selection of ceramics accompanies the prints and paintings.

### Opening times:

Weekdays: 09h00 – 17h00 (closed Tuesday mornings)

Entrance free.

The Art Museum will be closed weekends and public holidays until further notice. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

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