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***Story Telling: A Ceramic Invitational* on exhibit at Cathedral Arts Project**

August 30, 2016 – The Cathedral Arts Project (CAP) will host *Story Telling: A Ceramic Invitational* in the Heather Moore Geraghty Community Gallery this fall. The opening reception will be held Wednesday, September 7, 2016, from 5-7:30 p.m. and the exhibition will run through December 12, 2016.

Story Telling: A Ceramic Invitational will feature ceramic works by seven local and regional artists. The works range from functional to sculptural and express a narrative theme – the common thread for each of the artists is the drive to tell a story.

The featured artists include local Jacksonville artists Tiffany Leach and Dana Tupa, both of whom are on the faculty at Jacksonville University, and Liz Bryant, a member of the faculty at Florida State College at Jacksonville; John Donovan, an associate professor at Middle Tennessee University and visiting artist at Jacksonville University; Maria Dondero from Athens, GA; Taylor Robenalt from Asheville, NC; and Sara Truman from Gainesville, FL.

This exhibition is part of the inaugural Ceramics Jax celebration of clay – a series of events made possible by a collaboration of the University of North Florida, Jacksonville University, and Florida State College at Jacksonville. The three local schools have come together to organize exhibitions, lectures, panel discussions and visiting artists throughout Jacksonville during the month of September in support of ceramic arts.

Both the reception and the exhibition are open to the public. The Heather Moore Geraghty Community Gallery is located in the offices of the Cathedral Arts Project at 207 N. Laura Street, Suite 300 in Downtown Jacksonville and is open 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday–Friday and for special events. For more information, please visit capkids.org or call 904.281.5599.

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The Heather Moore Geraghty Community Gallery enriches the quality of life in Northeast Florida by providing a unique venue for emerging and established artists to exhibit original works of art. The purpose of the gallery is to nurture individual artistic expression, encourage the exchange of ideas and inspire a lifelong commitment to the arts. Exhibitions, related events and programs enrich the cultural footprint of our community by engaging the arts and educational communities, cultural organizations, and diverse audiences along the First Coast.

*Now in its third decade of service, the mission of the **Cathedral Arts Project** is to enrich the quality of life in Northeast Florida through unleashing the creative spirit of young people. Our vision is for every child to benefit from a well-rounded education that includes dance, media arts, music, theatre and the visual arts. By providing direct instruction to students and teachers, facilitating partnerships and advocating for expanded access to arts education, the Cathedral Arts Project empowers children and youth to succeed in all areas of their lives. Learn more at capkids.org.*