

John Ross Palmer Announces 2016 Escapist Artists

John Ross Palmer's Art Movement of Escapism is furthered by his Escapist Mentorship Program and coaching of artists to accomplish their goals. The epicenter of the Movement is the Chrysalis, a state-of-the-art training ground in the Houston Heights.

January 18, 2016 (FPRC) -- Palmer proudly announces the members of the 2016 Escapist Mentorship Program:

Tatiana Escallon TatianaEscallon.com Houston, TX

Alonzo Karahamuheto AlonzoKnow.com Houston, TX

Hugo Perez HelloHugo.net Houston, TX

These three dedicated artists were picked from dozens of applicants from around the United States. Courageous artists submit a written application with art images and essays to a jury panel, and then, as a Finalist, they present themselves for "speed dating" interviews at Palmer's Gallery. If the Finalist is not from Houston, they appear via FaceTime or Skype. Scoring well in the Interview Phase was critical to advancing as 5 Finalists were interviewed with only 3 applicants earning the 2016 Escapist Artist honor. Panels for scoring are comprised of top Palmer patrons, including: FCC Members J.P. Anderson, Alfredo Tijerina and Julio Montano, Vallone Award Winners Jennifer Black & Morgan Steen and Palmer collector and Alief ISD Trustee Tiffany Thomas. Read all about the history, mission and goals of this empowering program plus see first-class documentary videos by visiting EscapistProgram.com.

"I cannot believe this is the 8th year of the program!" exclaims Palmer. "When I initially wanted to help artists share in success, we met over coffee and took notes in paper journals. I had no idea the idea would blossom into now having a state-of-the-art artist training ground with the Chrysalis...and fascinating artist applicants from around the globe." The 2016 Escapists had their first group meeting on Sunday, January 17th and are already working on their first "assignment" to create a new piece of art and document the process on social media before their initiation ceremony. The 2016 Escapist Artist Initiation Ceremony will take place at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 31st at Palmer's Historic Heights Art Gallery (1218 Heights Blvd., Houston, TX 77008). The event is open to the public and will feature an inspiring keynote speaker before the artists take the Pledge of the Escapist.

Palmer's Art Movement of Escapism is aimed at forever destroy the stereotype of the struggling artist. His mentorship program, founded in 2009, aims to teach artists how to sell on their own and not be tied to the traditional art gallery system. Palmer does this as a means of giving back to the art world--it is entirely free.

If you have any questions about Artist John Ross Palmer or his Escapist Mentorship Program (EscapistProgram.com), please contact gallery co-owner Ryan Lindsay at 713-861-6726 or Ryan@JohnPalmerArt.com.

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