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Ohio Art League Special Exhibition at MadLab Theatre and Gallery

'Invasive Biomes' by Jonah Jacobs

July 9, 2014 – COLUMBUS, OHIO – As an artist and observer of natural occurrences, artist Jonah Jacobs' ceaseless goal to unlock the mysteries of natural structures can be explored during a very special exhibition, "Invasive Biomes," running July 11–26 at MadLab Theatre.

"Nature presents itself in a dizzying array of organic shapes and structures. From the graceful spiral arms of galaxies to the nebulous webs created by tree roots, to the hexagonal geometry of honeycomb – the structures of nature are wondrous creations where beauty meets function, and the repeating of simple patterns enigmatically give rise to complexity," Jacobs says. "Whereas some artists paint a two-dimensional representation of a bush, flower, or some other naturally occurring element onto canvas, my work instead deconstructs such elements, extracting from them their inherent qualities, so as to later recreate these qualities by means of capturing and presenting the essence of their magical form and poetic beauty."

View this exhibition July 11–26 during the MadLab theatre production, "The Young Writers Short Play Festival" at 227 North 3rd Street in Columbus. There is no admission to view the artwork. Hours are: July 11, 12, 18, 19, 25 and 26 from 7:00–8:00pm and by appointment.

An opening reception with light refreshments will be held Saturday, July 12 from 5:00–7:00pm at MadLab Theatre and Gallery.

About the Artist: Jonah Jacobs

Jonah is an artist who lives and works in Cleveland Ohio. He was born in Denmark but has lived in the United States for most of his life. He is a graduate of Antioch College. He is also an Army veteran who served in S. Korea and in the 82nd Airborne Division.

About MadLab Theatre and Gallery

MadLab is a non-profit organization that provides an artistic haven for the creation and experience of original works. It is a laboratory where individuals and ensembles are free to experiment without censor. Each year, MadLab produces seven to eight full-length original productions. In addition, MadLab serves emerging artists by providing an affordable, quality venue to small arts organizations. Learn more at madlab.net.

About OAL

The Ohio Art League is an innovative leader in Ohio for supporting visual artists during all stages of their careers. OAL connects member artists to patrons of the arts, the community, and exhibit and studio spaces. Through professional development, mentorship and advocacy, OAL

works strategically to help Ohio cultivate and retain top visual art talent while positioning the state as a hub for the visual arts.

Opportunities to curate and show art in OAL's member curated exhibitions are open exclusively to members. To learn more or become a member, please visit OAL.org.

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