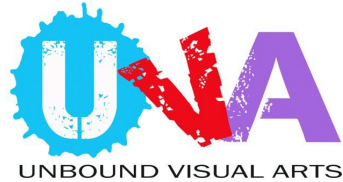


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Earned: Women in Business and Labor

March 8 - April 6, 2017

Scollay Square Gallery, Boston City Hall, Boston, MA
Martin J. Walsh, Mayor and Julie Burros, Chief of Arts and Culture
Ruth Rieffanaugh, President, Unbound Visual Arts



Maria Temini, no. 26, digital photograph

[Unbound Visual Arts \(UVA\)](#) and the [Mayor's Office for Arts and Culture](#) are pleased to be presenting ***Earned: Women in Business and Labor*** in the **Scollay Square Gallery** on the 3rd floor of Boston City Hall featuring 16 women artists that are also members of Unbound Visual Arts. This is an exhibition about the roles of women in business and labor and their sacrifices, challenges, leadership, and innovation. The exhibition theme coincides with this year's theme for **National Women's History Month**. The exhibition starts on March 8th, International Women's Day, and the opening reception with live music and six short artist talks will be on **Thursday, March 16th**, 2017 from 5:00 - 7:00 pm in the Gallery. From 4:00 - 5:00 pm there will be a Panel Discussion & Presentation on "**Global Perspectives**

on Women in the Workforce" featuring [Hubert H. Humphrey Fellows](#) from Boston University and MIT from 4-5 pm in the Piemonte Room on the 5th Floor of Boston City Hall. The program will be a series of short presentations by Humphrey Fellows, professionals from countries undergoing development and/or political transition selected by the U.S. Department of State to spend a year in the U.S. preparing to address some of the most compelling development challenges of our time. The exhibition is supported by the [Mayor's Office for Women's Advancement](#), the [Boston Women's Heritage Trail](#), the [Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies Program \(WGS\) at Boston University](#), and [Gender & International Development Initiatives of the Brandeis Women's Studies Research Center \(GaIDI/WSRC\)](#). The exhibition runs through April 6, 2017.

The exhibition is curated by John Quatrale and advisor Brenda Gael McSweeney, Ph.D. The design for the exhibition is by Alexandra Kontsevaia Peterson and graphic design by Cait Stuff. **The artists include: Nancer Ballard, Nancy Hall Brooks, Tsun Ming Chmielinski, Linda Clave, Anita Helen Cohen, Jennifer Jean Costello, Lynda Goldberg, Sarah Iwany, Nhung Mackey, Aline Martini, Brenda Gael McSweeney, Ruth Rieffanaugh, Diane Sheridan, Maria Termini, Andrea Zampitella, and Ellen Zellner.**

The art represented in this exhibition provides insights into the roles that women have played in the workforce and their sacrifices, challenges, leadership, and innovations. Personal stories and reminiscences of the struggles and sacrifices that many women, past and present, have endured are also presented. The 16 women artists in this exhibition have all thought about what it means to be a woman, an artist and a worker in today's economy. They are sharing their art today to help tell the story of gender equality in the workplace in the hope that more knowledge will lead to more progress in this economic field of business and labor.

The Scollay Square Gallery is located in Boston City Hall at Government Center, Boston and is open to the public Monday - Friday, 9:00 - 5:00 pm. Boston City Hall is accessible from the Boston City Hall Cambridge Street entrance adjacent to the MBTA Government Center Station for the Green and Blue Lines. It is also accessible from the Congress St. entrance.

[Unbound Visual Arts](#) (UVA) is a 4 year old local 501(c)(3) non-profit organization of artists and art enthusiasts, based in Allston-Brighton, that enriches the community with educational and inspiring exhibitions and programs. UVA has completed 59 curated educational art exhibitions in 9 locations in 5 communities and has 140+ artist and art enthusiast members. To learn more visit unboundvisualarts.org or call 617.657.4278.

[Mardi Gras and Carnival Celebration of the Arts](#), Green Briar Restaurant & Pub, 304 Washington St., Brighton, MA, Tuesday, February 28, 2017, 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm. Organized by Unbound Visual Arts. Live music by *A Confederacy of Dumpsters*. An official **Massachusetts Cultural Council (MCC) Festival**.

[City Heart Art Show and Sale](#), Shops at the Prudential Center, Huntington Arcade, 800 Boylston St., Boston, May 6, 2017, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. Over 50 artists that have experienced homelessness. Organized by Unbound Visual Arts. An official [ArtWeek Boston](#) event.

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