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participating children artists

orion zev orrico (b. 2014 in Chicago, Illinois) currently lives and plays in Iowa City, Iowa. He likes to make art because it is beautiful, and it is exciting to create beauty. Pictures, nature and architecture inspire his work as well as the work of Joni Mitchell, The Beatles and the following streamed series: *Extraordinary Homes, The Ultimate Beast Master, The Final Table* and *Awake*.

leni broomberg (b. 2009 London, UK) lives and plays in Berlin, Germany and Sicily, Italy. For this exhibition, Leni notes, "I wanted to take photos of simple things that I see everyday. I was trying to create a sad atmosphere but not too realistic, which is why I made them black and white. I used parts of our house and apartment building that look to me a bit messed up or broken. I was also trying to take photos that showed sadness I sometimes feel. I learnt to draw from my parents, my favorite things to draw are patterns and doodles when my pencil touches the page I feel free to draw anything."

marlowe broomberg (b. 2013 London, UK) lives and plays in Berlin, Germany and Sicily, Italy. He likes collecting Pokemon cards, working out mathematical sums and sitting on his dog's head. He first began making Lego paintings from pieces of Lego kits that had broken off. As Marlowe says of his process, "you have to add baby add more and more Lego and then one minute you know it's finished."

alexia d'monte (b. 2009 Vancouver, Canada) currently lives and plays between Vancouver and Phuket, Thailand. She has been drawing since she could hold a pencil, and she likes to make art because it transports her to another realm where she can make anything she wants to. Alexia's favorite thing to do (aside from making art) is going to the Vancouver Art Gallery with her godmother, Aunty Mitra, every Christmas holiday when aunty visits. She wants to be an artist when she grows up and work with cool curators like Aunty Mitra. For this exhibition, Alexia has experimented with shadows, natural forms and expressing emotions through abstraction. Alexia is thrilled to be showing her artwork at Aunty Mitra's gallery. This is her first exhibition in an art gallery.

adelae denike palmer (b. 2009 Dehra Dun, India) is an American artist also known as Addy. "I like to make art because it just comes natural, like breathing... Art makes me feel alive and it's always changing," she says. She is also greatly inspired by her aunt, Jen DeNike, to pursue a fine art practice. She lives and plays in Nine Mile Falls, Washington.

hudson denike palmer (b. 2012 Delhi, India) is an American artist. He is inspired and encouraged by his sister, Addy DeNike Palmer. He explains, "Art makes me feel happy." He lives and plays in Nine Mile Falls, Washington.

ellie rosenblatt (b. 2012) is a multidisciplinary artist born and raised in Los Angeles. Ellie enjoys making paintings, sculpture and video. "I'm inspired by the magic of the natural world," she says of her work. She lives with her mom, dad and her little brother Ben.

alexandra gepp (b. 2008 New York, New York) is 11 years old and will be a 6th grader in the fall at Avenues School. She has been making art since an early age. She is passionate about Japanese animation, especially Manga, and her drawings and paintings are often inspired by the characters and aesthetic of this genre.

nicola remmel (b. 2009 New York, New York) currently lives and plays in New York City. Nicki likes to make art because art can freeze a feeling so that it lasts over time. "You can go back to that time whenever you want," she explains.

julian remmel (b. 2011 New York, New York) currently lives and plays in New York City. He says, "I like to make art because there are no mistakes in art. In art, you're the boss." Julian's series is about a ghost he has seen, named Finn McQueegan.

djuna pascher (b. 2014, Richmond, Virginia) is American and Catalan. To her, art represents beauty and freedom, a space where one can "do whatever [you] want." She lives between New York City and Marfa, Texas.

dolores bailey (b. 2012 Westchester, New York) is a seven-year-old singer, song-writer and artist. She is a lover of art, music and science and has an innate appreciation of art and color. At an early age, she loved mimicking what her mother did: paint. She says of her painting for this exhibition, "In my work Splatter from 2016 I wanted to paint like the artists my mom taught me about. I wanted to make something with a lot of color and layers of paint. I aspired my own marks of paint and brush strokes to be on a canvas and to cover it just like the floor of Jackson Pollock's house."