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Experience Diversity Through the Eyes of Children The Florida Commission on Human Relations to host

the 2008 Children's Diversity Art Show

Tallahassee – The Florida Commission on Human Relations is hosting the 2008 Children's Diversity Art Show, which aims to encourage young people to embrace cultural differences. The event will shine a light on the importance of mutual acceptance in the battle to stop discrimination and prejudice, which continue to plague Florida's youth.

Derick Daniel, executive director of the Commission says, "We are pleased to present the 2008 Children's Diversity Art Show! The art show strives to raise community awareness on the challenges facing ethnic groups, such as bullying and discrimination in our public schools. Intervening early in the lives of children is critical. This unique event allows children to use their creativity to express their differences and learn the benefits of acceptance and understanding."

Who: The Florida Commission on Human Relations (host), Apalachee Tapestry School of the

Performing Arts (partner) and Panhandle Area Educational Consortium (PAEC) Migrant

Education Program (partner).

What: 2008 Children's Diversity Art Show: Experience diversity through the eyes of a child.

Artwork from local children will reflect the theme "What is your favorite family activity?" The event

will also include cultural music and dance.

When: March 7, 2008

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Where: Mary Brogan Museum of Art and Science

350 S. Duval Street Tallahassee, FL 32301

The Florida Commission on Human Relations, established in 1969, is the state agency charged with enforcing the Florida Civil Rights Act and Fair Housing Act. Fair treatment, equal access and mutual respect are the benchmarks of the Commission's commitment. Through education, outreach and partnerships, the Commission works to prevent discrimination through teaching best practices and foster cultural understanding in communities statewide.

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