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### **Hundreds Attend Art Gallery Hop in Celebration of World Art Day**

In commemoration of World Art Day on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2024, the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and the Arts in collaboration with the House of Angostura and the Art Society of Trinidad and Tobago hosted an Art Gallery Hop event on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>, April, 2024.

Initial estimates indicate that over five hundred patrons attended the event, inclusive of long-time art lovers and first-time visitors to art galleries. Senator the Honourable Randall Mitchell, Minister of Tourism, Culture and the Arts as well as Permanent Secretary (Ag) Mr. Videsh Maharaj were also in attendance.

The Art Society of Trinidad and Tobago confirmed that the event was well received as all the buses booked to transport patrons on the tours were filled within a short space of time. The event was also attended by patrons who were not part of the pre-booked tours and opted to participate on their own.

The gallery hop, which featured the works of close to two hundred local artists, was aimed at growing the visual arts market by introducing new audiences to the visual arts community and maintaining the support of aficionados. The Art enthusiasts enjoyed visits to participating galleries in Port of Spain and environs like the House of Angostura, the Rotunda Gallery (the Red House), the Art Society of Trinidad and Tobago, the Horizons Art Gallery, Arnim's Art Galleria, Studio Joli, LofTT Gallery and ThinkWorkArtTT. Patrons also purchased pieces from various galleries.

Minister Mitchell said "I am quite pleased with the turnout for this event and the support for the local arts and creative sector. The Ministry of Tourism, Culture and the Arts proudly supports initiatives that play a significant role in promoting creativity and innovation and congratulate the House of Angostura and the Art Society of Trinidad and Tobago for partnering with us. Events like these align strongly with our goals to boost cultural confidence by encouraging participation in cultural development, and developing integrated platforms to nurture excellence among developing artists which propel them toward thriving careers in the arts."

The Ministry of Tourism, Culture and the Arts looks forward to continued collaboration with industry stakeholders and private-sector organizations to champion initiatives that promote engagement in the creative sector and recognition for our local talents.



Minister of Tourism, Culture and the Arts, Senator the Honourable Randall Mitchell, was among several hundred patrons that attended the Art Gallery Hop held in celebration of World Art Day 2024.





Patrons view pieces of local artwork at the House of Angostura during the Art Gallery Hop on Saturday.



l-r: Permanent Secretary (Ag) of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and the Arts, Mr. Videsh Maharaj seen here with CEO of Angostura, Mr. Laurent Schun and Public Relations Officer of Angostura, Ms. Ronda Bentacourt during the Art Gallery Hop on Saturday.

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