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Locust Projects announces *Smash & Grab* 2018

Locust Projects: 3852 North Miami Ave, Miami 33127

Event: Saturday, October 13, 6:30-9:30pm – the raffle will begin promptly at 7:30pm

Artworks on view at Locust Projects: October 6 – 13

One part fine art raffle, one part kickin' party, Locust Projects celebrates the 20th Anniversary edition of their annual *Smash & Grab* fundraiser. South Florida art collectors will convene at Locust Projects' Design District gallery space to take part in the action on October 13 where participants buzz with anticipation as their names are called, inspiring an electrifying run for artwork from some of the top artists working today. This event, one of Locust Projects' largest fundraisers, will fuel the organization's innovative exhibitions and programs for this monumental, 20th Anniversary season.

With over 100 artworks by local, national and international artists are up for grabs, the atmosphere is charged with anticipation as attendees compose their wish lists and anxiously wait for the raffle to begin.

The details:

1. Every raffle ticket purchased for the event is guaranteed a piece of artwork.
2. Work can be previewed from October 6-13 at Locust Projects--make your wish list early!
3. Tickets are drawn at random during the party, with the winner getting their choice of artwork (i.e, first called gets first pick, and so on).
4. Live DJ, Harry's Pizzeria, Bacardi and other treats will be on hand to make the party more complete

Event participants mingle among the artists, who love to watch the competitive excitement. The result is a fun way to place artwork into collections, connect with Miami's art community, and support Locust Projects.

As a hallmark that makes Locust Projects stand out from other art venues, Locust Projects is Miami's longest running alternative art space, celebrating twenty years of supporting artists and artistic experimentation. "There is no other fundraiser quite like this one. Smash & Grab has actively inspired and engaged Miami's art community since 2003. Artists featured in Smash & Grab have exposure to top art collectors and art enthusiasts who each year vie for the limited number of tickets. Since its inception, we have seen art world newbies evolve into seasoned collectors, and artists featured at Smash & Grab have been sought out and championed by collectors who were introduced to them for the first time at Locust", says Locust Projects' new Executive Director, Lorie Mertes. The *Smash & Grab* event is one of Locust Projects' largest sources of revenue for the year and artists who donate receive a one-year pARTner membership which includes access to Locust's LegalLink, pro bono legal services, as well as complimentary invites to Locust's Spring Fling, one of Miami's much-anticipated parties. This year submissions are open call to give more artists an opportunity to participate. Contact info@locustprojects.org for more info.

Purchase tickets on sale now online: <http://www.locustprojects.org/events/event/smash-grab-fundraiser-benefitting-locust-projects/>

Raffle Tickets (includes artwork raffle ticket and admission for 2):

\$625 - General public (subject to availability – limited number available)

Individual tickets available September 15

ABOUT LOCUST PROJECTS

Locust Projects is a Miami-based not-for-profit exhibition space dedicated to providing contemporary visual artists the freedom to experiment with new ideas without the pressures of gallery sales or limitations of conventional exhibition spaces. Local, national and international artists are encouraged to create site-specific installations as an extension of their representative work. Locust Projects supports the local community through educational initiatives and programming that are free to the public.

Locust Projects' exhibitions and programming are made possible with support from: The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts; Cowles Charitable Trust; The State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs and the Florida Council on Arts and Culture; The John S. and James L. Knight Foundation; the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and the Cultural Affairs Council, the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners; The National Endowment for the Arts Art Works Grant; the Hillsdale Fund, the Miami Sports and Exhibition Authority, The Kirk Foundation, Vhernier, the Team LAB Annual Education Fund, Locust Projects Exhibitionist and Significant Others Members.