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Dia de los Muertos at AFS Gallery

Dia de los Muertos Collaborative Exhibition, November 1 – November 28, 2009

Artists' Reception on Saturday, November 7, 5:00 pm-7:00 pm

AFS Gallery 302 East Cota St. Santa Barbara, CA 93101

AFS Gallery Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: 10-2, Thursday 10-6.

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SANTA BARBARA: On Saturday, November 7, the collaborative exhibition *Dia de los Muertos* opens at the AFS Gallery with a reception from 5:00 pm-7:00 pm. The exhibition, a result of a series of workshops put on by Art From Scrap Artistic Director, Holly Mackay, and artist Julia Ford, opens at the AFS Gallery on November 1st and runs through November 28th. According to Mackay, "The Dia de los Muertos exhibition will include the construction of an altar and objects to place on the altar."

Dia de los Muertos is a collaborative exhibition involving Art From Scrap, at risk youth from El Puente Continuation School, consumers from the SB Mental Health Association's Fellowship Club, children from the Housing Authority (HASB), Peoples' Self Help Housing (PSHH), and Transition House. Mackay says, "We're so thankful for everyone who has participated in this program. We've really enjoyed working with them." Mackay also wants to acknowledge and give special thanks to Paul Mills, Lotusland, and the Succulent Society for their help with the exhibition.

About Art From Scrap: Art From Scrap is Santa Barbara's Environmental Education and Art Center. The AFS Gallery is located upstairs at Art From Scrap. Rotating shows hang throughout the year bringing together art lovers, collectors and local artists.

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