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North Carolina Museum of Art Partners with El Pueblo, El Centro Hispano, and Local Teens to Bring Two Murals to Downtown Durham

Inspired by Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera, artists Cecilia Lueza and Cornelio Campos create community works of art

Who: Artists <u>Cecilia Lueza</u> and <u>Cornelio Campos</u>, inspired by Mexican artists Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera, will install two murals in downtown Durham on the Durham Convention Center in partnership with the <u>City of Durham's Cultural</u> <u>and Public Art Program</u> and Spectra Venue Management. The artists will complete the murals with help from Triangle students from the NCMA Teen Arts Council, <u>El Pueblo</u>, <u>El Centro</u> <u>Hispano</u>, and the <u>Nasher Teen Council</u>.

What: In celebration of the upcoming fall exhibition at the NCMA, *Frida Kahlo, Diego Rivera, and Mexican Modernism from the Jacques and Natasha Gelman Collection*, open October 26, 2019, through January 19, 2020.



Where: Durham Convention Center, 301 W. Morgan Street, Durham. Murals are located on the East Chapel Hill Street side.

When: The murals will be installed September 2–3 at times to be announced.

More Information: The finished murals will be celebrated with an unveiling Saturday, September 21, during the free CenterFest Arts Festival in downtown Durham. Visitors can visit the new murals, have their portrait taken in front of them by a local photographer, enjoy a family art-making activity, and learn about special exhibition *Frida Kahlo, Diego Rivera, and Mexican Modernism*. Please get in touch with Kat Harding at <u>kharding@ncartmuseum.org</u> to attend an installation day for photos and interviews.

Image: Detail from Cecilia Lueza's concept drawing of her Frida Kahlo-inspired mural.

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