

CALENDAR

VISUAL ARTS

Jacques Villeglé: Early Works

An exhibition showcasing French Nouveau Realist artist Jacques Villeglé's works from the 1960s and 1970s. Villeglé's process of 'décollage' combines pop culture with the post-war French avant-garde. **Through July 1.** At Alan Koppel Gallery, 210 W. Chicago Ave. Mon.-Wed. and Fri. 10AM to 5:30PM; Thurs. 10AM to 6PM; Sat. 11AM to 5:30PM. 312.640.0730 or www.alankoppel.com.

Unpaving Paradise: Environmental Photography

This citywide photographic installation by artists Chase Bowder, Jin Lee and Alexis Petroff features three individual views of the Chicago Nature and Wildlife Plan, a recent city initiative. **Through July 3.** Three locations: City Gallery at the Historic Water Tower, 806 N. Michigan Ave.; Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Cannon Dr.; Chicago Center for Green Technology, 445 N. Sacramento Blvd. Hours vary. 312.744.6630 or www.cityofchicago.org/culturalaffairs.



PETA KAPLAN: SKETCHBOOK FROM PERU

South African artist Peta Kaplan presents large-scale paintings and murals derived from pre-Incan imagery and modern-day Peru. **June 9-July 8.** At Chicago In Bloom, 4223 N. Lincoln Ave. Opening June 9, 4PM to 7PM. Mon.-Tues. and Thurs.-Fri. 8:30AM to 6PM; Wed. 8:30AM to 5:30PM; Sat. 10AM to 5PM. 773.975.9377.

Todd Eberle: Architectural Abstractions

In this exhibit of 13 large-format photographs, Todd Eberle deconstructs the iconic image, with buildings pictured either as a whole or as a collection of recognizable parts. **Through August 13.** At the Art Institute of Chicago, 111 S. Michigan Ave. Hours vary. 312.443.3600 or www.artic.edu/aic.

Oasis: An Installation by Guerra de la Paz

Miami-based artist team Alain Guerra and Neraldo de la Paz create a mini-ecosystem out of bright clothing to create a vibrant, colorful landscape. **Through August 13.** At the Michigan Ave. E. Washington St. 312.744.1424.

In Search of Paradise: Great Gardens of the World

More than 65 photos of the world's most imaginative gardens tell the story of modern garden design. **Through August 13.** At Boeing Galleries in Millennium Park, Michigan Ave. E. Washington St. 312.742.1168 or www.millenniumpark.org.

Mary Bell Galleries 30th Anniversary Show

Thirty artists display work at Mary Bell Galleries in celebration of its 30th anniversary. The evening includes live music and appearances by Tim Christensen, Roger Bechtold, Roger Stevens, Richard Taylor and more. The event is sponsored by the ROTARY/One Foundation. **June 2.** At Mary Bell Galleries, 100 N. Franklin St. 6PM. Free. RSVP to 312.642.0202.

Mariella Bettineschi: Voyager

Italian artist Mariella Bettineschi showcases virtual reality art in a series of virtual glass sculptures. **June 2-July 8.** At Jean Albano Gallery, 215 W. Chicago Ave. Fri. 10AM to 5PM; Sat. 11AM to 5PM. 312.440.0770.

Summertime

This exhibition of contemporary art in the theme of summer features works by 16 artists. **June 2-July 8.** At Judy A Saslo Gallery, 1000 Superior St. Tues.-Sat. 10AM to 6PM. 312.943.0530.

57th Street Art Fair

This juried art fair showcases the work of more than 100 artists from around the country. Winners are awarded solo exhibits. **June 4.** In Hyde Park, 1634 E. 53rd St. Sat. 11AM to 6PM. 773.493.FAIR.

Pascal Crucq: Figures in Space

Classically inspired French artist Pascal Crucq presents a series of sculptures of the nude form in his premiere Midwest solo exhibition. **June 16-25.** At Palette & Chisel Gallery, 1012 N. Dearborn St. Mon.-Fri. 11AM to 6PM; Sat.-Sun. noon to 6PM. 312.642.4400.