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INTERSECTIONS: ART, DESIGN, AND THE NEON MUSEUM
ON VIEW AT THE NEVADA HUMANITIES PROGRAM GALLERY

Las Vegas, NV – Nevada Humanities presents the exhibition *Intersections: Art, Design, and the Neon Museum*, on view June 2 through July 28, 2016, at the Nevada Humanities Program Gallery, located at 1017 S. First Street, #190, in downtown Las Vegas. *Intersections* features works that bring the visual artist and the commercial designer together to explore the distinctions and commonalities they share. Neon Museum staff, Cynthia Behr Warso, Education & Engagement Manager, and Maggie Zakri, Collections Manager curated this exhibition.

Intersections asks viewers to draw their own conclusions about the roles of artist and commercial designer - an artist who makes a work of their idea or expression versus that of the designer who works producing a product in collaboration with the goal of meeting a client's need. Both use specialized visual languages to create their works. *Intersections*, featuring collaborative works by visual artist Elena Wherry during her time as an artist-in-residence, proposed renderings for sign designs, and elements of a sign painters' handiwork on historic neon signs, helps viewers discover where the roles of a visual artist and a sign designer ends, begins, or possibly blends.

"Building upon the sense of our histories, and connecting it to a place and time in a shared experience is an exciting exploration that the Neon Museum provides," commented Nevada Humanities Executive Director, Christina Barr.

RECEPTION & MEET THE CURATORS

Thursday, June 2 / 6 – 9 pm

Nevada Humanities Program Gallery, 1017 S. First Street, #190, Las Vegas

SPECIAL EVENTS

Thursday, June 30 / 6-8 pm

June Artist-in-Residence: Whitney Lynn

Neon Museum, 418 West Mesquite, Las Vegas

Friday July 3 / 7 pm

Pop Up Poetry – Featuring Poet Heather Lang, hosted by The Las Vegas Poets Organization

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For more information on the Neon Museum visit: neonmuseum.org

Intersections: Art, Design, and the Neon Museum is part of Nevada Humanities' bi-monthly exhibition series, which showcases the work of Nevada artists, writers, photographers, and other creative thinkers who explore and articulate a sense of place in the Silver State. The Nevada Humanities Program Gallery is located at 1017 S. First Street, #190, Las Vegas, in the Art Square Garden Courtyard downtown within the 18b Arts District. The Program Gallery is open Monday through Friday, from 1 – 5 pm, and open late until 9 pm on Preview Thursdays and the first Friday of each month for First Friday events. For more information about Nevada Humanities, call 702-800-4760 or visit nevadahumanities.org.

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