GREENWICH, CT, June 26, 2020 — Beginning Saturday, June 27, the Bruce Museum will display the art of high school students throughout Connecticut, New Jersey, and New York in the *iCreate 2020* exhibition. This annual juried competition is in its 11th consecutive year and will feature 55 works of fine art selected from 850 submissions, collected from 123 high schools across the region.

This exhibition highlights an array of works infused with the creative spirit and impactful voices of budding young artists. *iCreate* serves as an outlet for these emerging artists, amplifying the scope of their pieces’ influence and providing the community a glimpse into local artistic
potential. The works are of diverse mediums and explore different themes ranging from critiques of traditional social constructs, to playful portraits, to statements regarding race, identity, and animal welfare.

On Saturday, June 27, we will welcome the reopening of the Bruce Museum after three months of COVID-19 isolation, present the 11th year of *iCreate*, and reveal the eight honorees who will be awarded prizes, ranging from $100 to $500, and two *Berkley One Awards*.

A *People’s Choice Award* will be determined with public input and will be announced on August 2, 2020. In order to have a voice in the voting process, make sure to view the participating artists’ video in the online exhibition at brucemuseum.org. Please cast your vote by email to youthatbruce@gmail.com by 5:00 pm, July 31, 2020.

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Admission to the Bruce Museum beginning June 27 will be by advance reservation, with timed ticketing to ensure the comfort and safety of visitors and staff. **Admission will be free to all visitors upon the Museum’s reopening to the public.**

The following hours of operation and admission policy will be in effect starting June 27 until further notice:

9:30 – 10:30 am, Tuesday through Sunday: The Museum is open only to self-selected individuals over the age of 65 or who are immunocompromised.

10:30 – 11:30 am, Tuesday through Sunday: The Bruce is pleased to welcome Museum members only for one hour of special access.

All remaining Museum hours are unchanged. To reserve a timed ticket to visit the Bruce Museum, visit brucemuseum.org or call 203-869-0376.

For more images or information about *iCreate*, contact Mary Ann Lendenmann at mlendenmann@brucemuseum.org.

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About the Bruce Museum
The Bruce Museum is a community-based, world-class institution highlighting art and science. Changing galleries for art and permanent galleries for the natural sciences encompass regional to global perspectives. Accredited by the American Alliance of Museums and voted the best museum in Fairfield County by area media in recent years, the Bruce plays an integral role in the cultural life of area residents. The Museum attracts approximately 80,000 visitors annually, including 25,000 schoolchildren, and also has special programs for families, seniors, students, and community organizations. Located in a park setting just off I-95, exit 3, at 1 Museum Drive in Greenwich, Connecticut, the Museum is also a 5-minute walk from the Metro-North Greenwich Station. The Bruce Museum is reopening on June 27 in accordance with state and local guidelines and with advance reservations for timed ticketed entry. To make a reservation or for additional information, call the Bruce Museum at 203-869-0376 or visit brucemuseum.org.

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