



Miami Art Exchange

Press Release

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ART AND SCIENCE RESIDENCY AT ANNE KOLB NATURE CENTER

Fort Lauderdale, Florida 7 Sept., 2011 — In an unprecedented effort to provide greater knowledge of Broward County's Anne Kolb Nature Center, 751 Sheridan Street (Hollywood, FL) and our protected tidal estuaries, artist Onajide Shabaka has initiated a fundraising project to help provide the creative materials that will serve as a temporary art installation at the end of his November park residency. During November Shabaka will volunteer as the park "art ambassador" and work with visitors, especially children, to make art and learn about the endangered estuary.

Shabaka, with the help of visitors, will create a temporary art installation in the park, after which will be an exhibition of the project in Florida Atlantic University's Second Avenue Studio gallery on their downtown Fort Lauderdale campus. As part of the university's community outreach, Shabaka has planned an open panel discussion on urban planning and design, and open space for people, a critical issue in current land usage.

Onajide Shabaka has been known in the local art scene for many years. Since the late 1990's his art has been focused on the environment and Florida's African American history. He has lived and worked in south Florida since relocating in 1976.

Shabaka will spend time every weekend in November at the Anne Kolb Nature Center where visitors will be able to participate in their own art making fun. For more information on his residency schedule please review <http://miamiartexchange.com> or the artist's web site: <http://www.art3st.com/work/mangrove-mud-womp/>.

IMAGES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

Anne Kolb Nature Center
751 Sheridan Street (near Hollywood's beach)
Hollywood, FL - 954-926-2480

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