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13 Lines An art exhibition on the campus of Sam Houston State University SHSU Department of Art November 13 – December 6, 2019

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Sam Houston State University Department of Art students enrolled in Advanced Studio, present an exhibition of art that utilizes the SHSU campus as an exhibition space.

The exhibition is called *13 Lines.* Each of the 13 students in the class created site specific art works that each are inspired by the concept of "line." The exhibition was conceived by Michael Galbreth, the instructor of the course. Galbreth passed away shortly before the exhibition was scheduled to begin. The exhibition is dedicated to his memory.

In the class, Galbreth prompted each of the artists to think about how the idea of line would be expressed in a work of art. The artists developed concepts for works that would be located at particular sites on the SHSU campus. The relationship of the site to the works was an important consideration.

Galbreth was a well-known artist who used locations throughout Houston in his own site specific installations and performances. In order for his students to use the SHSU campus as an exhibition space, he required each of them to go through necessary channels to get permissions and approvals to install their work in their desired locations. He considered this process an important part of the work, and a part of the learning process.

The thirteen artists in the exhibition are Kathryn Alcala, Ashley Burnett, Glenda Pivaral, Bailey Duke, Amber Free, Cheryl Gryta, Cale Herell, Elizabeth Isham, Magda Macías, Daniella Mata, Chloe Morrell, Daniel Saheb, and Lois Spurlock. Works include video, sculpture, and a wide variety of materials that alter the way the landscape and environments on campus are seen.

Video documentation of the exhibit will be available on Pop Walk, a free mobile app that will allow visitors to find the works by using an interactive map on their phones.

A reception and opening of the exhibit will be held on Wednesday, November 13 noon until 2:00pm in front of the Newton Grisham Library on the SHSU campus.

For more information visit <u>www.13lines.org</u> or contact the Department of Art at 936-294-1318 or <u>shsuart@shsu.edu</u>