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CoCA Presents 18th Annual Art Auction and Marathon in Pioneer Square's Globe Building

Marathon Artists' Previous Work Exhibition (for CoCA Members & Press): Friday October 1, 7:00-9:00

Marathon: 9:00am Thursday, October 7 through 9:00am Friday, October 8, 2010

First Thursday Public Viewing: 5pm-9pm Thursday, October 7 (free)

Silent and Live Auction: 6:00pm Friday, October 8, 2010 (requires tickets)

In true potlatch form, the revitalized **Center on Contemporary Art** brings the tradition of its 24-hour art-making Marathon to historic Pioneer Square. This spectacle of pandemonium and frenzied mayhem includes 3,000 square feet of caffeine-fueled artists performing in Drawing, Painting, Sculpting, Hot Waxing (Encaustic), Photographing, Video-Taping, Versifying, Editing – all that and more. Over 100 works of art will be created spontaneously over the ensuing 24 hours.

Artists include established and emerging locals (see below) as well as those traveling from around the country to participate in this unique spectacle. The site for this year's event is the former home of the Elliott Bay Book Company, where CoCA has opened a gallery space and is working with the owners to establish a permanent home. With the added chaos of the CoCA Marathon, October's First Thursday Art Walk in Pioneer Square is a "must see"!!

Nine hours after the artists finish, at precisely 6pm on Friday, October 8, silent auctions will begin, followed by dinner and a live auction of the "cream of the crop" – the best works created by each artist during the course of the event. As always, proceeds of the fundraiser will be split between CoCA and the artists. Tickets and more information available at <http://www.cocaseattle.org/tickets>.

Participating artists include Joan Engelmeier, Reino Carlson, BK Tran, Craig van den Bosch, Geoffrey Garza, Carol Skvorak, Aaron Haba, Anette Lusher, Nathan Reese, Kate Vrijmoet, Clare Johnson, Kristin Tollefson, Michael Shepard, Kelly Lyles, Daniel Lorentz, Momoko Sudo, Wesley Wozniak, Vick Vercauteren, David "Chula" Tupper, John Osgood, David Francis, Holly Ballard Martz, Todd Horton, Tracy Boyd, Anthony Callaway, and Suzanne Tidwell, among others.
