

August 8 - 24, 2018
Opening Reception:

Saturday, August 11th, 2018 (5pm-8pm)
Show Juried By Kim Abeles

TAG Gallery is proud to present the 13th iteration of the California Open. The California open is a juried exhibition celebrating contemporary art created by emerging artists. The competition is hosted by TAG Gallery, an artist-owned collective now located at 5458 Wilshire Blvd. in Miracle Mile. TAG features emerging and mid-career artists of Southern California.

The juror for the 2018 California Open is artist and curator, Kim Abeles. Abeles is an artist whose community-based projects explore biography, geography and environment. She has created projects with the California Science Center, air pollution control agencies, health clinics and mental health departments, and natural history museums in California, Colorado and Florida. Abeles received the 2013 Guggenheim Memorial Fellowship, and has received fellowships from J. Paul Getty Trust Fund for the Visual Arts, California Community Foundation and Pollack-Krasner Foundation.

Abeles states: "This exhibition was selected from the 1547 works submitted to the TAG juried show. It represents many talented and inventive artists nation wide. My curatorial choices reflect an eclectic interest in art, and the exhibit expresses a range of impressions including homages to nature and neighborhoods, gentle or forceful portraits, conceptually-based and process-driven work, and urgent political discussions. The work is spirited, sometimes humorous or enigmatic, and in various ways, creates images representing human life in this existential moment. The exhibit includes photography, video, sculpture, painting, drawing, and printmaking." The 2018 California Open Exhibition runs from August 8th – August 24th with the opening reception and awards ceremony on August 11th from 5 – 8 pm.











