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**The Art Students League of New York's  
"A Summer of Sculpture" Exhibition  
At the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine  
June 24 – September 10, 2017**

**New York, N.Y.** The Art Students League of New York, the National Sculpture Society, and the Cathedral of St. John the Divine are pleased to present "A Summer of Sculpture," which will showcase work by Greg Wyatt (Cathedral Artist-in-Residence and creator of the Cathedral's *Peace Fountain*), alongside a juried exhibition of more than 26 monumental bronzes curated by the National Sculpture Society, and maquettes from the Art Students League's Model to Monument program (led by Greg Wyatt). The exhibit, which in part celebrates the history and impact of the League's Model to Monument program thus far, will run from June 24 to September 10 at the Cathedral (located at 1047 Amsterdam Ave, New York, NY 10025).

**About Model to Monument**

Now in its seventh year, the Art Students League's Model to Monument (M2M) Program is a professional development program conducted in partnership with the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation. Since 2010, the Art Students League of New York and the M2M has provided a diverse, international group of 50 League artists the opportunity to create sculpture for public spaces under the guidance of Greg Wyatt, widely recognized master sculptor and Artist-in-Residence at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine.



Each year, from 2010 to 2016, M2M placed seven monumental sculptures in Riverside Park South, creating a sculpture trail along the Hudson River. On view in this exhibition will be a selection of 24 maquettes the M2M artists created as part of the application process to enter the program. These preliminary models present hypothetical design proposals, which were expanded, altered, and refined as they evolved into site-specific public sculptures. Photographs of the final works will also be displayed.

*Left: Sculpture by M2M artist Benat Iglesias Lopez.*

In 2017, at the request of the Department of Parks & Recreation, the League has begun working with a new site in Riverside Park North at 145<sup>th</sup> Street to address the needs of the diverse community that regularly uses this public space along the Hudson River.

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### **About the Art Students League of New York**

The Art Students League of New York is one of America's premier art schools. It was founded in 1875 by artists, for artists, to provide affordable studio-based art education of the highest quality. Great artists have trained, taught, and exhibited at the League throughout its rich history. Classes, lectures, workshops, exhibitions, and professional development programs continue the League's legacy of supporting students who intend to make art a profession, and cultivating a spirit of community among artists. Among its prominent instructors and students, the League counts Thomas Eakins, Frederic Remington and Reginald Marsh, Georgia O'Keeffe, Norman Rockwell, Jackson Pollock, Robert Rauschenberg, Mark Rothko, Jacob Lawrence, Louise Nevelson, and Ai Weiwei, among many others. Today, thousands of students each year study drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking and mixed media at the League.

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