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See “Ecstasy” on KOCT, September 7-18, then live at ArtSplash in Carlsbad, September 26-27

Carlsbad, CA ... The September 26-27 ArtSplash chalk art festival in Carlsbad is featured on KOCT’s “Oceanside Spectrum” on September 7-18. The show, hosted by Elaine Swann, airs Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8 am and 9 pm; Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5 and 9 pm. It is also available on demand at www.koct.org.

The “Ecstasy” artwork forms the backdrop of the five-minute ArtSplash segment. This translucent Plexiglas mural of Maxfield Parrish’s famous piece of the same name was created by Carlsbad-based Studio 2’s Ron Juncal and Phyllis Swanson on-site at last year’s ArtSplash. It will become part of an oasis of colorful eco-serenity at this year’s green-themed ArtSplash. The venue within a venue includes live plants, a second Parrish masterpiece – in chalk art -- and free-form balanced sculptures of recycled everyday items such as teapots.

As a longtime ArtSplash participant, Juncal is one of the artists featured on the KOCT show. The other is artist Joey Chavez, known for the bull he created from recycled shoes that adorns his gallery in downtown Oceanside. Chavez will be making his first ArtSplash appearance, creating a sea reef from recycled electronic components.

“Computer parts are very colorful and make perfect sea creatures,” Chavez told Swann on the show. “In contrast to events that sell art, we celebrate the arts,” Juncal emphasized.

ArtSplash is a free family-oriented community celebration for arts education. It takes place 10 am-6 pm, Saturday, and 10 am-5 pm, Sunday on dives into town on Armada Drive between Cannon Road and Palomar Airport Road. Information: www.CarlsbadArtSplash.org.