

It's A Banner Day For Public Art

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TAMPA — Driving through South Tampa these days is a good way to get acquainted with the talents of local artists.

For the second year, the Westshore Alliance and its member companies are exposing the public to art in the form of banners.

"We're trying to do things to bring public art to the West Shore district, and this brightens up the district," said Ann Kulig, the alliance's marketing director. "And it was very successful last year."

About 100 colorful banners are on display along Kennedy and Boy Scout boulevards, the George Bean Parkway at Tampa International Airport and inside WestShore Plaza.

The works of 18 local artists and three schools are showcased.

"The student artists are new to the mix," Kulig said.

The participating schools are LaVoy Exceptional Center,



Photo from Tatyana Hankinson

Tatyana Hankinson's "Rainbow River" is among the works of 18 local artists showcased on banners flying over Tampa streets.

the MacDonald Training Center fine arts program and Roland Park K-8 Choice School.

The participating artists are Amaris Aquino, Jennifer Batis-

ta, Betty Bruguera, Anthony Canto, Caesar Carbajal, Dave Cavaliere, Fred Gathers, Tatyana Hankinson, Susan Hess, Elizabeth Indianos, Lisa Ward

Landsman, Erick Melcon, Donna Morrison, Omoro Ralls, Bo Rice, Barry Rothstein, Christopher Mark Still and Ricklene Wren.

Meet the artists at a reception from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. June 7 in the lobby of the Corporate Center 3 building, 4221 Boy Scout Blvd. Tickets are \$15 for alliance members and \$20 for nonmembers.

For information or reservations, call the alliance at (813) 289-5488.

tives of the 20 adults.

"They picked the people they interviewed them, transcribed what they said and then, with the help of freelance book editor Kathleen Cashman, they pulled out the most interesting, telling and revealing things about that person," said Rebecca Heimstead, a Mayor's Youth Corps coordinator.

The honorees are: Leland Baldwin, lawyer and church youth director; Aravinda Barberjee, volunteer mathematics and Bengali teacher; Jacquelyn Chaney-Wilson, teacher and volunteer tutor; Eileen Charette, founder of Project Outreach and Key Club adviser; Kenneth Christie, school volunteer; Bob Piner, volunteer basketball coach; James Geiger, counselor with Anytown program; Susan Gray, student intervention specialist; Cynthia Gries, girls musical revue director; Shawn

Teens Artistically Honor Mentors

High school students from the Mayor's Youth Corps are honoring adults who supported youngsters in ways that went beyond their normal work.

Working with the nonprofit group What Kids Can Do, the teens put together an exhibit called "Mentors that Matter," featuring photographic portraits and first-person narra-