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TERRA FIRMA: A Commentary on Land

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Opening Reception August 17, 6pm – 9pm

Manhattan Beach, CA – The Manhattan Beach Art Center (MBAC) presents **TERRA FIRMA: A Commentary on Land**, an exhibition of work by Robert Glenn Ketchum, Lowell Nickel, Jacalyn Lopez Garcia, Nicholas Caesar Colon, Anita Bunn, and Fatemeh Burnes.

Through the use of innovative and altered photography, the artists of **Terra Firma** explore the natural landscape and mankind's impact on it.

Robert Glenn Ketchum – Ketchum has approached photography in many different ways, involving not only his personal work, but also his interest in the history of the medium. He remains connected to the community through non-profit groups and curatorial projects of his own creation.

Lowell Nickel – By studying human discards, archaeologists have reconstructed most of what we know about the past. It is through this kind of examination of flotsam that Nickel presents us with aspects of our present population's demographics and consumer habits.

Jacalyn Lopez Garcia and Nicholas Caesar Colon - Multimedia Artist Garcia and Photographer Colon will be exhibiting works from their collaborative *LAND-artproject* that will offer a unique investigation of the feared San Andreas Fault which is believed could cause widespread damage to San Francisco, Los Angeles, Coachella Valley, and neighboring communities.

Anita Bunn – Bunn's work is an investigation into the act of noticing, of turning away from spectacle and the obvious. Her photographs, digital videos, and prints explore an unfamiliarity with the familiar as well as how objects negotiate a shared space.

Fatemeh Burnes - Fatemeh Burnes was born in Tehran, classically trained in Persian art and verse. Burnes studied biology, modern Persian poetry, and western artistic practice. She has led special programs in public art, which resulted in the creation of murals dealing with environmental themes, and has taught plein-air painting internationally.

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Gallery Hours:

M, Tu – Closed
W to Sat – 10am to 6pm
Sun 10am – 5pm
We are closed for holidays and installation

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Left: Robert Glenn Ketchum, *YK Delta from 1500*, 2003

Right: Lowell Nickel, *Churchills*, 2017



Left: Jacalyn Lopez Garcia, *Is Anybody Listening*, 2018

Right: Nicholas Caesar Colon, *San Andreas Fault*, 2018



Left: Anita Bunn, *Index (White Sage)*, 2015

Right: Fatemeh Burnes, *Borders No Borders 4*, 2012 – 2018