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**Artists & Makers Studios in Rockville Presents
“Everyday Every Day” with Artists of BADC**

(Rockville, MD) – Artists & Makers Studios on Parklawn Drive in Rockville is delighted to host Black Artists of DC and four featured artists for the month of July. The exhibit, with Ralston Cyrus, Selena “Noir” Jackson, Gabrielle Moore, and Reshada Pullen-Jireh runs from July 6th through July 26th at Artists & Makers Studios, with an opening reception on Friday, July 7th, 5 – 8pm. This group exhibition features a range of portraiture from playful candids to contemplative poses. Each artist centers the Black body in a way that invites the viewer to focus on the everyday humanity in the image. The current socio-political landscape in the US is filled with conflict and polarization. Moreover, the racism and anti-Blackness demonstrated by George Floyd’s 2020 murder still exists. While it is important to understand the history of and resistance to that oppression, Black life is more than struggle, pain, and protest. The artists in this exhibition, a partnership between Black Artists of DC (BADC) and Artists & Makers Studios, celebrate everyday Black humanity through portraiture. This art centers the Black body and invites focus on the beauty that Black people exude every day.

Enjoy additional exhibits - **“Monochrome – Black to White and in between”** with Resident Artists, and 19 Gallery 209 Artists exhibiting their latest work. On view in the Gallery Hall, July 6th – July 26th.

**“Everyday Every Day” with BADC, curated by Gia Harewood
“Monochrome – Black to White and in between” with Resident Artists
The Artists of Gallery 209**

Opening Reception

5:00pm – 8:00pm, Friday, July 7th, 2023

Artists & Makers Studios

11810 Parklawn Drive, Suite 210

Rockville, MD 20852

**Artist Talk with BADC Curator Gia Harewood and Featured Artists
July 15th from 1pm-3pm at Artists & Makers Studios**

**Panel Discussion “The Pros and Cons of Gallery Representation”
July 22nd from 4pm-6pm at The Yard, Eastern Market
700 Pennsylvania Ave, SE, Washington DC**

Exhibits for BADC, the Resident Artists, and Gallery 209 will run from July 6th through July 26th. Viewing hours are 10:00am – 4:00pm, Monday-Saturday, and Sundays by chance or appointment.

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