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YUMI HOGAN, MARYLAND'S FIRST LADY, WILL MAKE PERSONAL APPEARANCE TO CLOSE ART SHOW ON AUGUST 18

OCEAN CITY, MD – August 6, 2017 – The public is invited to meet Yumi Hogan, Maryland's First Lady and wife of Governor Larry Hogan, as she closes out her solo art show at the Ocean City Center for the Arts, on Friday, August 18, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

The First Lady's artwork will be available for purchase through August 26. Hogan is donating proceeds from the sale of her artwork during this show to art therapy programs devoted to helping children with pediatric cancer.

Hogan, a native of South Korea, entitled her show "Nature's Rhythmic Alliance" that features her abstract landscape paintings produced in Sumi ink using Asian techniques. A graduate of the Maryland Institute College of Art and American University, she has had more than 14 solo exhibitions.

A commemorative exhibition catalog of Hogan's paintings is available at the Arts Center for \$10.

The Ocean City Center for the Arts at 502 94th Street is the home of the Art League of Ocean City, a non-profit organization dedicated

to bringing the visual arts to the community through education, exhibits, scholarship, programs and community art projects. Financial support comes primarily through membership dues from individuals and corporate sponsors. Funding for exhibits is also provided by the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore, the Worcester County Arts Council, Maryland State Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts, organizations dedicated to cultivating a vibrant cultural community where the arts thrive.

More information is available at 410-524-9433 or <u>www.artleagueofoceancity.org</u>.

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EDITORS: Photo attached.

CAPTION: Yumi Hogan discusses her paintings with a visitor to the Ocean City Center for the Arts during the show's opening in July.

