

## **National Portfolio Day & Third Coast Week**

Every year the National Portfolio Day Association, which consists of accredited colleges of art and design, has a National Portfolio Day in the area. This year it will take place on Saturday, October 10, in Austin. There will be representatives from over 30 prestigious schools at this event, and hundreds of students from all over Texas and several surrounding states will be in attendance to have their portfolios reviewed and to gather information about these schools. We definitely encourage our students (especially juniors and seniors) to attend.

In addition to this great opportunity, HSPVA traditionally invites representatives from some of the schools that are more desired by our students to our "mini" portfolio days (Third Coast Days), during school on the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday prior to the Saturday main event. Many of our students create installations, site specific and/or interactive pieces and/or exceptionally large, heavy and/or delicate works that are virtually impossible to transport or do justice to through slides or photographs. By having the "mini" event at HSPVA, our 70+ juniors and seniors have exclusive access to these representatives for a limited period of time. The representatives who attend our "mini" event all seem to agree that it is beneficial and enjoyable and most have raved about it and our students. Students are admitted to many of these schools on the spot, and thousands of dollars in scholarship money is offered as a result of this event. We know our juniors and seniors benefit greatly from this opportunity!

**We absolutely need and expect 100% participation from all of our junior and senior students. We cannot stress too strongly how important it is for the students and YOU to participate in and support this event. Please encourage your student to prepare for the event and if you can help the Art Guild in their preparations to host the representatives, it will be appreciated!**

### **THIRD COAST WEEK SCHOOLS**

Art Center, Pasadena, California  
Art Institute of Boston  
Cleveland Institute of Art  
California College of Art, Oakland/San Francisco  
California Institute of the Arts, Valencia (Los Angeles)  
College for Creative Studies, Detroit  
Cooper Union, New York  
Corcoran College of Art & Design, Washington D. C.  
Kansas City Art Institute  
Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore  
Memphis College of Art  
Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design  
Minneapolis College of Art & Design  
Otis School of Design, Los Angeles  
Parsons School of Design, New York  
Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia  
Pratt Institute, New York  
Rhode Island School of Design  
Rockport College, Rockport, Maine  
San Francisco Art Institute  
School of the Art Institute of Chicago  
School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston  
School of Visual Arts, New York  
Washington University, Saint Louis