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## **College of the Desert Marks Art Center Hosts Exhibition Celebrating 60 Years of COD**

**PALM DESERT, CA** — College of the Desert is proud to announce “Celebrating 60 Years of COD” running Oct. 10 through Nov. 7 at the Marks Art Center. The installation features a visual presentation of then to now—with a continuous narrative and a timeline of COD’s past and present.

“Guests can take part and tell their own COD story with a hands-on participatory experience,” said Anna-Marie Veloz interim faculty director at the center.

An opening reception will be held 5-7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 10. Special guests include COD Superintendent/President Joel L. Kinnamon Ed.D., who will help open the reception.

Free and open to the public, the reception will also feature local band, Avenida Music. Light refreshments will be served.

### **About the Marks Center for the Arts:**

The Walter N. Marks Center for the Arts is a nonprofit facility that supports arts education and enriches the cultural life of students, faculty and the Coachella valley community. The center is located at 43500 Monterey Ave., Palm Desert. The gallery is open between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and by appointment.

For more information, please contact the Marks Art Center at 760.776.7278 or visit the center on Facebook @marksartcenterCOD or Instagram @marksartcenter.

### **About College of the Desert:**

Established in 1958, College of the Desert, located in Palm Desert, is an accredited community college serving eastern Riverside County, California. The College leads the region in providing quality, higher education, technical training and lifelong learning opportunities, in response to the dynamic needs of our diverse community. The College serves more than 16,000 students each year and is the number one source of transfer students to California State University, San Bernardino’s Palm Desert Campus. For more information, visit [www.collegeofthedesert.edu](http://www.collegeofthedesert.edu).