2017 ART EXHIBITIONS
YORK STREET LOCATION

Denver Botanic Gardens’ York Street location presents a diverse series of art exhibitions. All of the exhibitions, excluding Calder: Monumental, are presented in Gates Garden Court Gallery and feature artists who live and work in Colorado. All exhibitions are included with Gardens’ general admission.

Edible: Botanical Art and Illustration
Through February 12
Botanical art and illustration is the centuries-old tradition of portraying plants for scientific purposes and capturing the beauty of the natural world. This annual juried exhibition from the Gardens’ School of Botanical Art & Illustration features the students’ best achievements in a variety of media. The theme for this show is edible plants and highlights the artists’ technical skill and botanical knowledge.
Image credit: Meredith Feniak, Swiss Chard Celebration, 2016.

Elusive: Works by Andrew Roberts-Gray
February 22 – May 14
Carbondale, Colorado-based artist Andrew Roberts-Gray combines formal abstraction, the painted landscape, and areas of unpainted canvas to create dynamic works that defy traditional genre. His work hovers between painterly abstraction and sculptural space, peppered with symbolic elements. This exhibition of recent mixed-media works feature a silver and white palette to compliment the gallery’s concrete walls and is organized in collaboration with Michael Warren Contemporary, Denver. Image credit: Andrew Roberts-Gray, Truth, 2016.

Calder: Monumental
April 28 – September 24
Press preview: Thursday, April 27, 10 a.m. Invitation to follow
American artist Alexander Calder (1898-1976) is considered one of the most influential sculptors of the 20th century and is known for his bold energetic sculptures. Calder: Monumental features these iconic works of bolted steel plate—which rise in sweeping curves, or puncture space with geometric lines—revealing the artist’s exploration of forms, volumes, and voids. Using shapes that resonate with the natural world, Calder’s large lively abstractions interact with the surrounding outdoor landscape.
**Color: Works by Teresa Booth Brown**
May 24 – August 6
Public reception: May 24, 5:30-7:30 p.m.; Artist Talk: 6:30 p.m.
Teresa Booth Brown’s paintings are said to be at once interior, diagram, landscape, architecture, still life and abstraction. The Longmont, Colorado-based artist uses painting as a chance to make order out of chaos. Each painting begins with a collage layer followed by the addition and subtraction of layers of paint and drawing. This exhibition of new work is organized in collaboration with Michael Warren Contemporary, Denver. Image credit: Teresa Booth Brown, *Incandescent* (detail), 2016.

**Play: Works by Pattie Lee Becker**
August 16 – November 5
Public reception: August 16, 5:30-7:30 p.m.; Artist Talk: 6:30 p.m.

**Whimsy: Botanical Art and Illustration**
November 19, 2017 - February 11, 2018
Public reception: November 19, 1-3 p.m.
This annual juried exhibition from the School of Botanical Art & Illustration features the students’ best achievements. At the same time that artists are drawing on technical skill, they also rely on botanical knowledge. Selections focus on the unusual, often blending scientific documentation and fantasy. Image credit: Susan Dimarchi, *Cockscomb*, 2016.

**About Denver Botanic Gardens**
Green inside and out, Denver Botanic Gardens was founded in 1951 and is considered one of the top botanical gardens in the United States and a pioneer in water conservation. Accredited by the American Alliance of Museums, the Gardens’ living collections encompass specimens from the tropics to the tundra, showcasing a plant palette chosen to thrive in Colorado’s semi-arid climate. The Gardens is a dynamic, 24-acre urban oasis in the heart of the city, offering unforgettable opportunities to flourish with unique garden experiences for the whole family – as well as world-class education and plant conservation research programs. Additional sites extend this experience throughout the Front Range: Denver Botanic Gardens Chatfield Farms is a 750-acre native plant refuge with an active farm in Jefferson County; Mount Goliath is a high-altitude trail and interpretive site on the Mount Evans Scenic Byway. For more information, visit us online at www.botanicgardens.org.