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KEVIN WONG PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT AT CITY HALL RECEPTION – TUESDAY, MARCH 10 at 5 p.m.

The photography of Kevin Wong is featured in the Art in Public Places exhibit at Twentynine Palms City Hall during March and April. A public reception will be held for the artist on Tuesday, March 10, at 5 p.m., prior to the City Council meeting at City Hall, 6136 Adobe Road.

Kevin Wong's exhibit is a photographic series entitled "Everyday Scenes of Latin America." Having lived in Ecuador, South America, for eleven years, Wong traveled this small country from the tropical coast to the Inter-Andean plateau and down into the Amazonian jungle, covering the region's social and physical landscapes. He also traveled from South America back to California via vintage buses through Central America and Mexico. One of his favorite destinations, the artist says, is the town of San Cristobal de las Casas in Mexico. Wong's colorful exhibit showcases his attraction for doors, windows, and the people who live in these small towns.

Born and raised in Berkeley, by parents who were both accomplished artists, Wong studied art and anthropology, became a professional scuba diver and an award-winning underwater photographer, traveled extensively and now lives in Joshua Tree, where he pursues photography and painting whimsical furniture at his Dry Heat Studio.

The exhibit is sponsored by the city's Public Arts Advisory Committee and is on display through April. City Hall hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information, call 367-6799.

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PHOTO ATTACHMENT: "La Gitana" photograph by Kevin Wong.