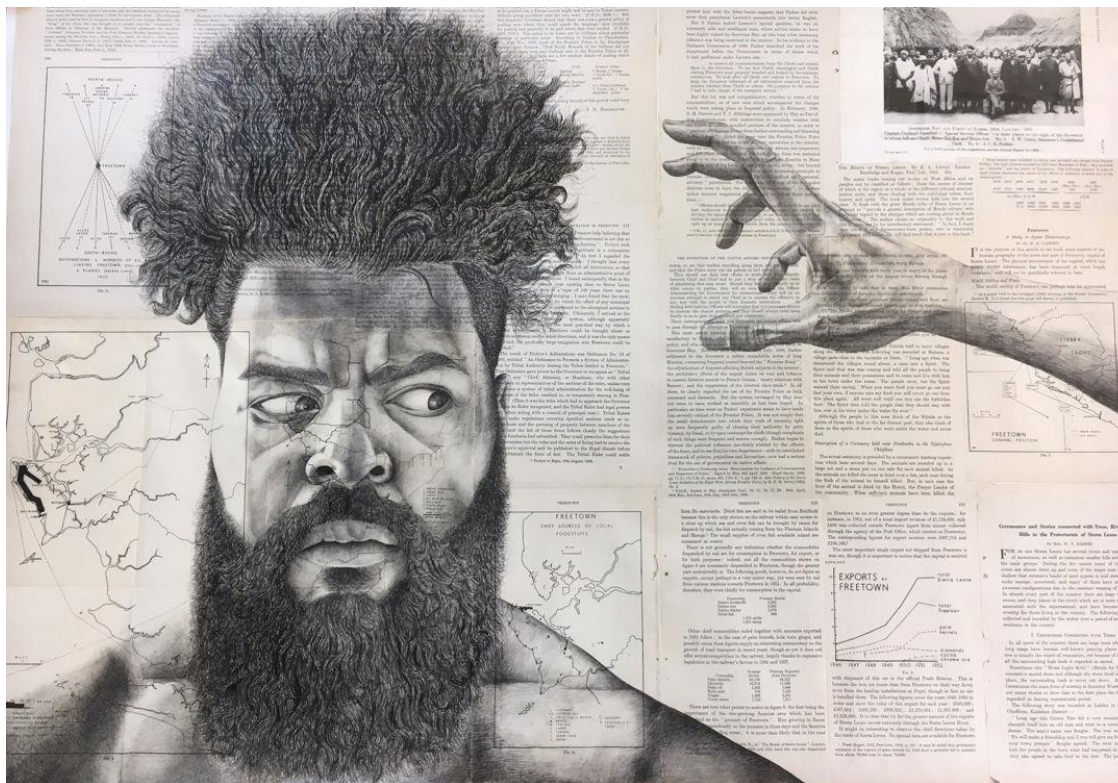


# Sarasota

## You Can Still Enjoy the Embracing Our Differences Exhibit

The show in Bayfront Park has been extended throughout April. Just make sure to practice social distancing.

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Habib Hajallie's *Can I Touch Your Hair?* won Best in Show in the Adult category at Embracing Our Differences. IMAGE: [COURTESY EMBRACING OUR DIFFERENCES](#)

If you haven't yet taken a stroll through the Embracing Our Differences exhibition in Sarasota's Bayfront Park, you still have time. The juried international outdoor exhibition, originally set to close April 5, has now been extended throughout the month of April. And it can provide a bright spot in these troubling times.

“This is one of the few arts and cultural activities people can safely enjoy during these difficult times of COVID-19,” says Embracing Our Differences executive director Sarah Wertheimer. She also expresses “gratitude to the city of Sarasota and local government for their support and generosity to allow us to keep the exhibit open.”

Embracing Our Differences, an annual outdoor exhibition that began in 2004, presents 50 billboard-sized works of art, each with an inspirational quote, as a way to use the power of art and prose to promote diversity. Response to the call for artwork and quotes was record-breaking this year, with 16,118 entries from 127 countries and 50 states.



*I Have a Dream*, by 11th-grade California student Shangxi Wu, won Best in Show in the Student category.

IMAGE: [COURTESY EMBRACING OUR DIFFERENCES](#)

Enjoy looking at the art, and for more information about Embracing Our Differences’ mission, visit [embracingourdifferences.org](http://embracingourdifferences.org).