

PHILADELPHIA REGION HOSTS PEACE GALLERY ART EXHIBIT

SGI-USA member Alison Minard wanted to give other fine artists in the Philadelphia Region an opportunity to display their work. The exhibit on display at the Philadelphia Community Center from April 18 through May 26 did more than that.

At its official opening on April 28, the Philadelphia Community Center resembled a fashionable art gallery, its walls embellished with works in oil, acrylic, pencil, charcoal, poster paint, etc., with carefully selected quotations from SGI President Ikeda's writings regarding art and culture, and their importance in developing bonds of understanding and trust among diverse people. The opening, which about 60 Philadelphia members and 45 guests attended, also offered members a chance to introduce friends, family and acquaintances to the philosophy of the SGI.

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