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2018 CREATIVE CLIMATE AWARDS IN NEW YORK NOMINATES DANIELLE EUBANK Artist Completing, in 2019, Her 20-year Quest to Paint All the World's Oceans

LOS ANGELES, CALIF., Aug 23, 2018 – Danielle Eubank, a Los Angeles-based painter dedicated to painting bodies of water across the world, has been nominated for the Human Impact Institute's 2018 Creative Climate Awards in Manhattan, NY, opening Sept 17, 2018.

"We are extremely pleased to have Eubank as a nominee," said Tara DePorte, Founder of the Human Impacts Institute. "She has made it her life's work to show us preciousness of water and how critical saving the oceans is to combatting climate change."

The Creative Climate Awards are an annual series of events that showcase artists creating climate-inspired performances, installations, and exhibits. "We use the arts and creativity to share knowledge, broaden the climate conversation, educate, and incite action," explained DePorte.

New research, released this summer by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and published in *Science Daily*, found that most marine life in Marine Protected Areas around the world will not be able to tolerate warming ocean temperatures caused by greenhouse gas emissions. The study found that with continued 'business-as-usual' emissions, the protections currently in place, won't matter because by 2100 warming and reduced oxygen concentration will make Marine Protected Areas uninhabitable by most species currently residing in those areas. (www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2018/05/180508170905.htm)

"I began my quest to paint the Earth's five major oceans in 2001 and since then, I've traveled over 30,000 miles on sea, painted more than 200 bodies of water, and painted water in 22 countries," said Eubank. "I am committed to using my art to forward our public conversation about how climate change threatens our seas and what we can do, in our own lives, to support the environment."

Eubank helps audiences take small steps to combat climate change. "To that end, I have created handheld cards with my artwork on one side and small, simple steps we all can take to help combat climate change, on the other. Changes such as waiting to run the dishwasher until you have a full load and drinking tap water instead of water from plastic bottles make a big impact on our oceans and waterways and take very little effort on our part."

Eubank is scheduled to join an expedition to Antarctica in February 2019 to paint her last ocean–the Southern Ocean as part of her landmark series, *One Artist Five Oceans*.

About the Create Climate Awards

Human Impacts Institute's 2018 Creative Climate Awards runs Sept 17-Oct 12, 2018. Opening: Sept 17, 2018 6-8:30pm. Location is the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office (TECO) 1 East 42nd Street, New York, NY 10017 <u>https://www.humanimpactsinstitute.org/creative-climate-awards</u>

About the Human Impacts Institute

Human Impacts Institute are social entrepreneurs who create and share innovative approaches to tackling social and environmental issues. Programs pair artists and scientists to engage new audiences in climate change solutions. The Institute helps people of diverse ages and backgrounds connect personally to the most pressing environmental issues. https://www.humanimpactsinstitute.org/

Background:

The surface of the planet is approximately 71% water. There are five oceans on Earth, as follows: Arctic, Atlantic, Indian, Pacific and Southern.

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