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‘Afterhours art’ to launch Primavera 07 at the Samstag Museum

To launch the Primavera 07 exhibition, the Samstag Museum is delighted to present ‘afterhours art’, with artists Honor Freeman, Briele Hansen and Katie Moore, and exhibition curator Christine Morrow from the Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney. Unwind at the Museum and join us on Friday 18 April from 5pm for this special afterhours event of artist talks, drinks, food, discussion and stimulating new art.

In a coup for Adelaide, the Samstag Museum is hosting Primavera 07 – an exhibition of works by young Australian artists. Produced annually since 1992 by Sydney’s Museum of Contemporary Art, the Primavera series was founded in 1992 by Dr Edward and Mrs Cynthia Jackson and their family, in memory of their late daughter, Belinda.

Perhaps more than any other exhibition of nationally emerging artists, Primavera attracts high interest, debate – and sometimes controversy – as a register of the newest in art from Australia’s hottest talent list. This most-recent Primavera features works by SA artists Honor Freeman and Katie Moore, along with current Samstag Scholar, Jess MacNeil.

Primavera 07 also features works of art by Patrick Doherty (WA), Anthony Johnson (NSW/TAS), Briele Hansen (VIC), Justine Khamara (VIC), Amanda Marburg (VIC), and Martin Smith (QLD).

Presented in association with the 16th ASSITEJ World Congress and Performing Arts Festival for Young People, the exhibition spans two-dimensional, three-dimensional and time-based work including painting, photography, installation, sculpture, video and ceramics. Many of the works harness the evocative power of memory: images of childhood and adolescence resonate. Primavera 07 opens at the Samstag Museum on Friday 18 April and continues until 6 June 2008.

For further information about the Primavera 07 exhibition or the Samstag Museum’s afterhours art event, please contact Erica Green, Director, Samstag Museum, telephone 08 8302 0870, erica.green@unisa.edu.au or visit www.unisa.edu.au/samstagmuseum

Primavera 07 is organised and toured by the Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney.