Printmaking event expands into wider weekend of art

It should be a fun and artistic weekend at the San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art, which has transformed its annual printmaking extravaganza — the Monotype Marathon — into a two-day showcase called ArtHouse.

The free event, which runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the SoPA district gallery, will include talks by artists, demonstrations, hands-on art making and sales. Printmaking fans won’t be left out, thanks to Print Fair, an open portfolio sale of works by 35 Bay Area artists each day, in addition to printmaking workshops in the morning and afternoon.

Artists scheduled to attend include Tony May, Lilia Demetrius, Gail Wight, Christina Seely and Modesto Covarrubias. Two gourmet food trucks, Louisiana Territory and No Way Jose, will be there, too.

The gallery is at 560 S. First St.; get details at www.sjica.org.

WALK ON THE MOVE:
Latinas Contra Cancer, the nonprofit group founded by TV news anchor Ysabel Duron, has changed things up for its annual Walk Against Cancer.

The event, a fundraiser that also aims to put the spotlight this year on colorectal cancer in the Latino community, is still Mother’s Day weekend. But it’s on Saturday, May 7, instead of Sunday.

In previous years, walkers journeyed from downtown San Jose to the Mexican Heritage Plaza at Alum Rock Avenue and King Road, but that also has changed. This year’s walk will take place in the North San Jose community of Alviso, an area Duron says is terribly underserved when it comes to outreach about cancer.

The three-mile walk begins at 9 a.m. at the Alviso Marina. Registration is $25 for adults and $15 for children from 6 to 17. It’ll be accompanied by a health fair from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information or to register for the walk, go to www.latinascontraacancer.org.

DREAM TEAM: The Bill Wilson Center in Santa Clara packed a ballroom at the Santa Clara Convention Center on Wednesday for its seventh annual Building Dreams luncheon.

The event serves as a chance to let the public know about the help the center provides to homeless and at-risk youth. Young people who have been served at the center will talk about their experiences.

It’s also a fundraiser, and board member Ron Ricci says that the money donated will be a good investment.

“Every dollar the Bill Wilson Center spends on services, it would take the county $4 to provide similar services,” he said.

If you’re interested in more information, go to www.billwilsoncenter.org.

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