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“City of Angels: Portraits” Exhibit on View at Central Library
May 4 – August 27

Visitors Can Pose with Wings and Share Photos at #ShowUsYourWings

Los Angeles, May 4, 2017—The photographic exhibit “City of Angels: Portraits” opened today in Central Library’s First Floor Galleries, 630 W. Fifth St., Los Angeles. A collaboration between photographer Gary Leonard and artist Colette Miller, the exhibit features 32 portraits selected from hundreds Leonard took of Angelenos from all walks of life posed before angel wings painted by Miller on a rollup storefront door.

Miller has painted a new set of wings in the Library’s First Floor Galleries so visitors can create their own angelic portraits and share the results on social media with #ShowUsYourWings.

Both Leonard and Miller see the wings as a way to communicate how each of us wants to do right in our lives, with every portrait capturing a single instant as a reminder of that intention.


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