

For Immediate Release:

Hamilton Fish Park Branch of the NYPL Presents *Best Friends*

Hamilton Fish Park Branch of the NYPL is delighted to present *Best Friends*, an exhibit of artwork by the students of Bruce-Monroe at Parkview Elementary School, along with paintings by their teacher, artist Eric Ginsburg.

Bruce-Monroe at Parkview, a District of Columbia public school, is located in the Columbia Heights/Parkview neighborhood of Washington D.C. Under the leadership of Dr. Marta Palacios, the school is renowned for its highly esteemed dual language program.

The students at Bruce-Monroe at Parkview illustrated their favorite animals and composed short poems imagining themselves as these animals. Created under the guidance of Eric Ginsburg and fellow teacher Lynn Hommeyer, the works are bright and bold, reflective of the children who created them.

Alongside his students, Eric Ginsburg exhibits his stylish, colorful primitive paintings of dogs and other loving animals. “There is no greater feeling in the world than coming home to my two dogs, Skye and Einstein,” he says. “An animal’s love is unconditional. That is why I celebrate it in my art.”

Eric Ginsburg has lived and shown his work across the United States and abroad. His paintings are in numerous private collections, galleries and museums. He has also created public murals.

The charming artwork and intriguing writing on exhibit in *Best Friends* is certain to delight you. A reception for the young artists and their teacher will be held on Thursday, June 18 from 5-7 pm.

Curated by Lois Stavsky with student-intern, Samantha Sabatino, the exhibit opens on May 11th and continues through July. Hamilton Fish Park Branch of the NYPL, located at 415 East Houston Street, is open Mondays & Wednesdays 10-6, Tuesdays & Thursdays 10-8, and Fridays & Saturdays 10-5.

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