LAL will host their second exhibition of the 2016 year, *This is the Thing: This is the Thing will feature photographs of the Lexington music scene from Andrew Brinkhorst*

Lexington, KY – To kick off the summer season, LAL is excited to host works by Andrew Brinkhorst that focus on the urban atmosphere and the local culture that is Lexington's live music scene. "We are excited to feature the work of local photographer Andrew Brinkhorst who posses an unmatched ability to capture the essence of live musical performance through the intimate medium of photography." *Stephanie Harris, Executive Director, Lexington Art League.*

The title of the exhibition comes from the chorus of a song called *"Tempest Winds"* by Coralle and the Townies, a Lexington band, who is featured in many of the images within the exhibition. *This is the Thing* will show photographs from live shows and concerts, recording studios as well as candid moments shared amongst artists. Along with concerts at many of our local venues, Andrew has photographed large outdoor events such as the BuckleUp, Bunbury, the Crave Food and Music Festival, Moontower Music Festival and the Moonshiner's Ball.

The photographs in this exhibition have been taken over the past two years. This project started on September 27, 2013 when Brinkhorst was strolling through The Night Market on Bryan Avenue between Limestone and Loudon. "That evening I knew I had to document the phenomenon I had experienced, this collective effervescence of live music,

and art, and small business. Of those three things, live music was the clear choice of where to begin."

The exhibition, which runs from April 22nd to May 29th, is perfect for lovers of art and music alike. Locals will love the exhibition because they will see people they know or learn more about their city's music life. People from out of town will be introduced to Lexington's pride in local gems.

Many events will be taking place throughout the showing of the *This is the Thing*. All of the events will have a local touch, whether it is music, food, or both.

On April 22nd from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., LAL will host a Fourth Friday event with the band The Northside Sheiks, a local band that plays vintage blues and early R&B. On this night, Creative Tables will cater with a cash bar and light bites.

On April 28th from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., there will be an Artist Potluck and Panel Discussion. This is a time for artists of all levels and talents to come together for a night of networking and fellowship.

Family Day is on April 30th from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. This day will include activities with a musical aspect for the whole family. It will be an interactive day for children of all ages.

May 27th will be another Fourth Friday event and will include catering from Creative Table with a cash bar and light bites. Creative Table is Lexington Diner's catering company so they will add into the local touch.

About Lexington Art League

Lexington Art League is a visual arts organization who envisions a world where art, artists and art-making are central to human inspiration, self-realization and meaning.

Their mission is to challenge, educate, and engage their community through visual art and the advancement of local artists. They present visual art exhibitions at the Loudoun House gallery in Castlewood Park. They are deeply invested in supporting their North Lexington neighbors by providing free and inclusive programming opportunities designed to remove barriers of access to visual art for all members of the community.