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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **Viewpoint School to Unveil "The Art of the Poppy" in Honor of Veterans Day Students and Employees Handcrafted More than 1,000 Ceramic Poppies as Part of All-School Art Installation**

CALABASAS, CA – October 31, 2024 – On Tuesday, November 12, Viewpoint School will hold a special unveiling ceremony for its first-ever all-school art installation, “The Art of the Poppy,” to honor Veterans Day and pay tribute to the sacrifices made by veterans everywhere. The ceremony will begin at 8:15 a.m. at the Sky Trail entrance, which bridges Viewpoint’s Middle and Upper School campuses, marking the display of more than 1,000 hand-built ceramic poppies created by students from Transitional Kindergarten through Twelfth Grade, as well as faculty and staff.

“I am so proud of ‘The Art of the Poppy’ and the way it has united our community,” said Nell Yates, Visual Arts Department Chair. “This installation represents the creative talents of our students and staff, each honoring a special veteran in their lives. It’s a powerful way for us to come together and pay tribute to those who have protected our freedoms.”

The ceremony will feature remarks from Head of School Mark McKee and Calabasas Mayor Alicia Weintraub, who will present a proclamation recognizing Viewpoint’s tribute to veterans. Upper School student and Eagle Scout William Chapin will read “In Flanders Fields,” and Viewpoint will recognize its employees who are proud veterans themselves.

The program also will feature a performance of the National Anthem by the Upper School Concert Choir, followed by a ribbon-cutting to officially open “The Art of the Poppy” installation. Special guests will include veterans from the Viewpoint community, as well as city representatives Councilmen David Shapiro and Ed Albrecht, and Community Services Director Erica Green.

#### **Event Details:**

- **Date:** Tuesday, November 12, 2024
- **Time:** 8:00 a.m. arrival; program begins at 8:15 a.m.
- **Location:** Sky Trail entrance, Viewpoint School, Calabasas

**About Viewpoint School:** Viewpoint School is committed to creating exceptional readiness for extraordinary futures by cultivating the critical skillset, courageous mindset, and resilient identity of each individual student. Founded in 1961, with a legacy of academic distinction and college preparedness, the School’s scenic 40-acre campus in Calabasas, California provides students in grades TK-12 with an ideal setting to grow and learn, where each Viewpoint student is known, respected, and included. Visit [viewpoint.org](http://viewpoint.org) to discover a school where “tradition connects us and innovation propels us.”

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