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Title page (Title and Artist Name – *may be the same*)

Location of thesis exhibition

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LOCATION OF SHOW (example: Springfield Art Museum, Springfield,
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DATE OF EXHIBITION

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ABSTRACT

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Last line of abstract

KEYWORDS: (list at least five keywords or phrases here: use lowercase and separate with commas; note that if two lines are used, the second line is not indented)

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TITLE OF THESIS (DOUBLE SPACED, ALL UPPER CASE, BOLD, AND CENTERED)

By

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