



# A Call to Artists

## **Nature Through the Eyes of Artists: A 10"x10" Art Show**

### **Art Show Details**

**March 18 to April 27, 2018**

**at the Howard County Conservancy's Gudelsky Gallery**

The Howard County Conservancy is accepting submissions for their 2018 10"x10" art show, **Nature Through the Eyes of Artists**. The show is presented by the Howard County Conservancy in partnership with The Art of Stewardship (TAOS) Project, and Medomak Family Camp and Retreat Center.

The 2018 show will follow the same format as the TAOS **Nature Through the Eyes of Artists** show at the Howard County Conservancy in 2017. The show will consist entirely of 10"x10" pieces, all donated by the artists and available for a sale price of \$100 each. All proceeds will benefit the Conservancy.

The show is an opportunity for artists to display pieces inspired by nature and to support the work of the Conservancy and its mission to connect people to nature. Creativity flourishes when there are new constraints—imagine the fantastic diversity contained in a wall full of 10"x10" pieces!

There will be a fun, high energy reception on the evening of Sunday, March 18, 2018. Participating artists will have free admission; general admission is \$5 per person. Representatives from the Conservancy, the show sponsors, artists, and the greater community will be in attendance. At the reception, jury awards will be announced. There will be a raffle ticket sale for buyer positions #1-10. Winners of the raffle drawing will be able to purchase their art selections before opening sales.

### **Art Show Format**

- The foot print of all submitted artwork will measure 10"x10" and made ready for hanging by the artist.
- The art show is for participants of high school age or older.
- A brief artist biography and explanation of the artwork will be requested at time of registration.
- Each piece of art will be on sale for \$100, with all proceeds benefiting the work of the Howard County Conservancy.
- All artwork, purchased or unpurchased, will be on display for the full duration of the art show.
- Unpurchased artwork will be picked up by artists and purchased artwork by buyers on Saturday, April 28, 2018.

### **Entry Fees/Requirements**

There is no entry fee for the show; a .jpg file of any registered artwork is requested by March 4.

### **Artwork Requirements**

- All artwork must be original and not previously shown at the Conservancy.
- Limit of 3 entries per artist. The exhibit is limited to first 150 pieces submitted.
- Any medium may be used, as long as the finished, ready-to-hang size is 10"x10".
- Three-dimensional artwork is acceptable as long as it has a 10"x10" final footprint when it is hung on the wall. We are not able to accept free standing sculptures.

- Each piece of art must be wired and ready to be hung.
- Unlike the anonymous nature of the 2017 show, this year artist signature or other identification may be placed on the artwork. For any artist who chooses to remain anonymous until the artwork is purchased, the identification mark may be covered at the time of submission.
- The Conservancy and art show jurors reserve the right to accept and judge art work based on appropriateness to the theme and the audience.
- **NOTE:** We will not be selling the 10"x10" birch board this year as we did the previous year because they are easily available for purchase where art supplies are sold. The panel can be used as a canvas for direct artwork applications, or as a artwork backing or shadow box frame.

## 2018 Dates to Remember

**February 26**, Monday – online registration deadline for artists. Registration will close early when the maximum number of 150 artwork pieces is reached.

**March 4**, Sunday – deadline for submitting photo .jpg files for registered artwork.

**March 16 and 17**, Friday and Saturday – artwork drop off

Ready-to-hang completed artwork will be accepted at the Gudelsky Gallery on Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

**March 18**, Sunday, 6 to 8:30 p.m. – Opening preview reception, free for participating artists.

At **6 p.m.** a wine and cheese reception will open the art show for viewing (\$5 per person).

Leaders in the Maryland art world will be on hand to celebrate with artists, buyers, friends, families and admirers. Raffle tickets for first ten (10) early buyer positions will be available for \$5 each.

At **7 p.m.** raffle drawing will begin. All art pieces will be available for purchase after the last raffle is drawn.

From **7:15 to 8:30 p.m.** art show will be opened to general public with free admission and cash wine bar.

**March 19**, Monday to **April 27**, Friday – Art show open in Gudelsky Gallery, Monday – Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Please call before visiting at 410-465-8877 to ensure access to the gallery which maybe in use for other events.

**April 28**, Saturday – All artwork will be picked up by purchasers and artists at the Gudelsky Gallery from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

## Art Show Host and Partnerships

**The Howard County Conservancy**, a non-profit organization, reaches more than 12,000 people each year through its environmental education programs. The Conservancy offers activities for children and adults throughout the year at its 232-acre Mt. Pleasant farm in Woodstock and at Howard County's Belmont Manor and Historic Park in Elkridge. Please call 410-465-8877 or visit [www.hcconservancy.org](http://www.hcconservancy.org) for further information.

**The Art of Stewardship (TAOS)** encourages artists to display their innovation, creativity and unique perspective on natural subjects, thereby inspiring viewers to explore, appreciate and care for our Earth as stewards. The organization is the creation of the Mort Family Foundation, and its founder, internationally acclaimed artist Greg Mort. [www.gregmort.com/Stewardship/Pages/Stewardship\\_Collection.html](http://www.gregmort.com/Stewardship/Pages/Stewardship_Collection.html)

**Medomak Family Camp and Retreat Center**, located in Washington, Maine, is a place of profound beauty and a sanctuary for people and nature alike. Throughout the summer, people come together to enjoy the arts, science and other activities, make new friends, and be restored by nature and its simplicity. [http://medomakcamp.com/family\\_camp.php](http://medomakcamp.com/family_camp.php)