

July 24th - August 16th, 2015

Opening Reception: Friday July 24th • 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Call for Poets

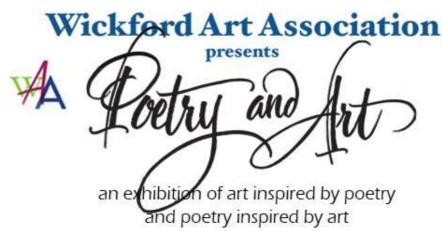
The Exhibit:

After two successful and moving exhibits in 2013 & 2014, we could not be more thrilled to begin preparations for our next exhibit! This year will be even more exciting and challenging, and we will once again be mixing things up!

We are creating an exhibit of 40 pieces of artwork which will be accompanied by 40 poems. Approximately half of the exhibit will be artwork inspired by poetry, and the other half will be poetry inspired by artwork! For our creating poets and artists, this year will be especially stimulating because you will be assigned a piece of art or a poem, rather than selecting one, so you will need to challenge yourself to see where the creative process takes you!

Poets are asked to submit two original works of poetry for consideration by the WAA Poetry & Art Committee, along with an indication of whether you would like to have one of your poems chosen for the exhibit, whether you would like to be challenged to create a brand new original poem based on artwork to be assigned by the committee, or whether you are game for either option! This is an exciting opportunity to test yourself and get the creative juices flowing. Poets will be selected based on their submitted samples. Our goal is to select 40 individual poets to participate, but depending on the number of entries, we may select some poets to provide both an existing poem and to create an original poem for the exhibit. Poets creating new poems will be assigned a piece of artwork and given 8 weeks to create a new original poem.

An open call to artists for artwork submissions is now available, and we are asking artists to submit 2 pieces of existing artwork for consideration by the WAA Poetry & Art Committee. Approximately 20 pieces of art will be selected by the committee for this exhibit and another 20 pieces of original artwork will be created inspired by the poetry selected. Art can be created in various mediums, including: watercolor, acrylic, oil, gouache, mixed media, collage, printmaking, graphite, charcoal, lettering arts, photography, and sculpture.



Poetry Submission Guidelines:

- Eligibility: All emerging and established poets and writers.
- Number of Entries: Two poems representative of your work. Original and unpublished.
- Subject: No politics, religion, offensive language or subject matters.

Deadlines & Exhibit Fee:

- Deadline for submission of existing poems for consideration: Wednesday, April 1st
- Deadline for new poetry once chosen to participate in the exhibit: Sunday, May 31st
- Exhibit Fee: The fee for participation in the exhibit, once selected, is \$40.00 and includes admission to all events, including an opening reception, poetry readings, and one copy of the 2015 Wickford Art Association Poetry & Art exhibit book.
 - Fee may be paid through PayPal online at www.wickfordart.org or by Visa/Mastercard/checks and cash delivered or mailed to the gallery. Please make checks payable to: Wickford Art Association.

What to Submit:

- The Poems: Each poem should be no more than one page, 32 lines max. 14 point type. 2 poems should be submitted per poet.
- The Indication: Tell us whether you want us to choose from the poems you provided, or to challenge you to create a new, original poem, or whether either option works for you!
- The Bio: Include your name, address, phone number, e-mail address, and a short bio not to exceed 50 words.

How to Submit:

- Format: Poems and Bio must be created/sent in a Microsoft Word document .doc format only.
- E-mail your documents to wickford.poetryandart@gmail.com
- The Subject Line must read: "Poetry Submission: (Your Name)."

Judging & Acceptance:

- Participating poets will be selected based upon their entries as chosen by the Poetry & Art Committee.
- Selected poets: entrants will be notified by April 5, 2015 via e-mail.

Questions:

• Please contact: wickford.poetryandart@gmail.com

You Agree

By submitting poetry you agree to all terms specified: the Wickford Art Association may publish your work for the purposes of publicity and the creation of a book for fund-raising for the Gallery and the Wickford Art Association.

We look forward to your participation in this exciting show!

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