

12th Biennial Ontario Open Art Exhibition

Exhibition Dates: Thursday, May 18 to Sunday, July 30, 2023

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Call for Entries: Calling all artists! Submit your artwork!

Fundraiser: The Ontario Museum of History & Art, Associates presents the 12th *Biennial Ontario Open Art Exhibition*. The Museum Associates is a non-profit organization that actively supports educational programs and community events at the Ontario Museum of History & Art through volunteer staffing, fundraising, and membership. To learn more about the Ontario Museum of History & Art, Associates visit Oma1996.com.

Due to gallery space limitations, the 12th Biennial Ontario Open Art Exhibition will be limited to 60 artworks. The museum will close the application portal if 60 artworks are received before the deadline.

Juror: Jennifer Kane is an artist, arts organizer, and teacher from Los Angeles, CA, who currently resides in Joshua Tree. She serves as the Executive Director of Arts Connection, the Arts Council of San Bernardino County. Jennifer received her BA in Fine Arts from Mount St. Mary's College and her MFA in Public Practice from Otis College of Art and Design. She is a recent graduate of Arts for LA's ACTIVATE Cultural Policy Fellowship program. Jennifer's writing has been featured in KCET *Artbound* and as part of the Mojave Project. Her paintings are held in private collections across the world. Ms. Kane is a proud board member of Californians for the Arts, the California Arts Advocates, and the Board of Advocates for the Robert and Frances Fullerton Museum of Art.

Award Levels: First Place \$500; Second Place \$300; Third Place \$200; Honorable Mention \$75 (up to 4).

Eligibility: Artists of any age are eligible and must be living in the Southern California region (San Bernardino County, Riverside County, Los Angeles County, Orange County, and San Diego County). Artworks must be the original creation by the artist, not shown before in previous *Ontario Open* exhibitions, and created between 2019-2023.

Artwork Specification: Two-dimensional and three-dimensional artwork in any stable media will be accepted. To avoid confusion, artworks should be hand-labeled with the title ("untitled" if applicable), artist's name, and telephone number. Artworks must be no larger than 50 inches in any direction and be no more than 50 pounds. Two-dimensional works must be framed (or have finished edges) and be ready for hanging with secure wire attached or cleat. Artwork with saw tooth hangers will not be accepted. Surfaces must be completely dry and stable. Please attach a sleeve on the back of the artwork if it is a textile, such as a quilt. If you are submitting a three-dimensional piece, please make sure it is sturdy, not only for the safety of the guests but the artwork as well. Artwork that is not properly prepared for display will not be accepted.

Video, digital projection, audio, or other installations requiring an electrical outlet will not be accepted. Artwork that contains decaying matter, food, drug paraphernalia, weapon paraphernalia, and plant matter will not be accepted if it poses a risk to the public or staff. The Museum reserves the right to remove any object if deemed unsafe. Artwork must be completed before applying. No sketches, concept art, mood boards, thumbnails, rough compositions, or incomplete work will be accepted for review.

Artwork cannot be removed from display during the exhibition run. Submitting an application or scheduling an appointment does not guarantee participation in the exhibition. The Museum reserve the right to refuse artwork that is in poor condition or that is deemed otherwise unacceptable for installation.

Entry Fees: Each participant may submit a maximum of two artworks. Diptychs are considered two pieces. Entry fees are non-refundable. Checks made payable to “Museum Associates”, credit cards, and debit cards will be accepted. Fees will be collected at the time of the drop-off.

Museum Members:

\$25 per entry

\$40 for 2 entries

Non-Members:

\$35 per entry

\$60 for 2 entries

The Deadline to Apply: Friday, March 24, 2023, at 1 pm.

Notification to Exhibit: Artists with artworks accepted will be notified of pre-scheduled appointment slots by email on Friday, March 31, 2023. Once the artwork is submitted and meets the minimum requirements, the artwork will move to the jurying process.

Jurying Notification: Artists who place First, Second, Third or Honorable Mention will be notified by Thursday, May 18, 2023.

Artwork Drop-off Dates: Art drop-off will be by appointment only on Friday, April 28th and Saturday, April 29th, from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. The application and appointment scheduling slots will be available on the Museum’s website: OntarioMuseum.org.

The artist or a proxy must hand-deliver the artwork to the Ontario Museum of History & Art. Commercially shipped or mailed artwork will not be accepted.

Artwork Pick-up Dates: Pick-up will be by appointment only on Friday, August 4th and Saturday, August 5th from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. The Museum will send a link to artists to schedule an appointment slot for pick-up. Artists must pick up their artwork or provide the museum with a written statement giving permission for a proxy with a picture I.D. to claim the artwork.

Onsite sale of the artwork is not an objective of the Ontario Open Art Exhibit: The Ontario Museum of History & Art is a department of the City of Ontario and is not a commercial gallery. The purpose of the exhibit is to provide opportunities for artists of the region to exhibit artwork for the benefit of the City of Ontario and the Museum’s regional audience. The Museum will not represent artists, provide sales prices,

or receive commissions for artwork transactions. Sales may not be conducted on the Museum property. The Museum will provide a public space to display artist business cards. Visitor queries will go directly to the artist.

Abandoned Works: Artwork left unclaimed after the scheduled pick-up will undergo Museum abandonment procedures. The Museum will attempt to contact or negotiate the artwork return to the artist. In the event the artist fails to claim a loan, after repeated attempts by the Museum to contact them, the loaned items may be subject to the State of California's Unclaimed Loan law, California Civil Code Section 1500 et seq., and/or the provisions of California Civil Code Section 1899 et seq.

Application: OntarioMuseum.org/upcoming.

For Questions: For questions, email museuminfo@ontarioca.gov or call (909) 395-2510.

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Reception and awards: Saturday, July 22, 2023 from 5 PM to 7 PM

*Dates are subject to change.

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