

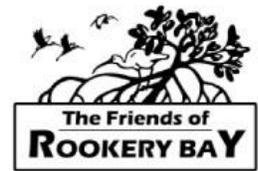
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CALL TO ARTISTS

*Southwest Florida Annual
Juried Painting Exhibition
Intersection of Man and Nature: People,
Planet, and Prosperity*



Friends of Rookery Bay (FORB) and the United Arts Council of Collier County (UAC) are seeking submissions for their annual painting exhibit at the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center in Naples, Florida. Rookery Bay is part of the National Estuarine Research Reserve located at 300 Tower Rd., Naples, FL 34113

Important Dates:

Exhibit Dates: November 6, 2018-January 9, 2019

Deadline for Entries: Friday, October 5, 2018, by 4 p.m.

Delivery of Artwork to Rookery Bay: Thursday & Friday, November 1 & 2, 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Opening Reception: Thursday, November 29, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Pick Up Your Artwork at Rookery Bay: Thursday & Friday, January 10 & 11, 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Eligibility

- This exhibit is open to artists residing in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry and Lee counties, both full-time and seasonal. ***All work must be original; no giclées are permitted.***

Cash Awards sponsored by Cohen & Grigsby:

- The three awards are \$750 for the Cohen & Grigsby Best in Show award, the Cohen & Grigsby Juror's Choice Award of \$350 for Excellence and the United Arts Council Merit Award for \$150. Winners will be chosen by the juror the day of the reception after reviewing the exhibit. Results will be announced at the opening reception. Award checks will be mailed to winners within 15 days of selection.

Juror sponsored by Cohen & Grigsby:

- Megan C. McShane, PhD., Associate Professor of Modern Art History at Florida Gulf Coast University.

Theme

- Rookery Bay will be celebrating its 40th anniversary. The title of this exhibit is *Intersection of Man and Nature: People, Planet, and Prosperity*. Paintings should reflect and/or express the essence of Florida's flora and fauna.

Details

- Artists may submit up to two jpeg entries.
- **Deadline: 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 5**, for receipt of jpeg entry.
- Artists will be notified by **Friday, October 19**, of decision by email. Please do not call to inquire about the status of your application.
- If accepted, you will be required to deliver your artwork to Rookery Bay on **Thursday & Friday, November 1&2, between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.**
- **November 5**, work will be installed by professional UAC staff.
- Opening reception: **Thursday, November 29, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.** Admission is free. Light refreshments will be served. Exhibiting artists are expected to attend.
- Artwork must be picked up at Rookery Bay on **Thursday & Friday, January 10 and 11, between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.**

Fees

- There is a non-refundable entry fee of \$30 per application (\$20 for UAC and FORB members).
- Checks should be payable to United Arts Council, a 501(c)3 organization, so your fee may be tax-deductible.

Submission Procedures

- Limit is **two** submissions per artist.
- Send entries via email with jpeg attachments to: KDonovan@UACCollier.org. **The title of each jpeg attachment must include your NAME and TITLE of the piece.**
- **You may send PDF versions of your completed application and your signed release form.**
- Your application fee may be paid online, by phone, or by check in the mail. Make checks payable to the United Arts Council of Collier County.
- Name, title, medium, date, dimensions, prices of entered works should be on the application form.
- We will send a confirming email upon receipt of your jpegs. If you do not receive one, please contact us by email. (Please use email and not phone calls.)

Notification of Acceptance

- Artists will be notified via email by **Friday, October 19, by 4:00 p.m.**
- Due to the volume of entries, we are unable to respond to phone inquiries.

Delivery and Installation

- Work must be ready for installation: framed and/or gallery wrapped with **D-Rings** installed. The facility at Rookery Bay uses a museum-quality hanging rod system so work must be able to hang from a curved hanger; ***no sawtooth hangers will be accepted.*** Any artwork not suitably ready for hanging will be rejected. Staff reserves the right to deny work that, upon delivery, is felt to have been misrepresented by the images.
- Delivery of work: work must be delivered to the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center on **Thursday or Friday, November 1 or 2**, between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. UAC staff will not be able to deliver art work.

Insurance

- While the Rookery Bay building is considered secure, it is a public facility. All exhibiting artists will be asked to sign a release included with the application form, and should ensure that their works are adequately insured.

Sale of Artwork

- Sales will be handled through the Friends of Rookery Bay Nature Store. A 30% commission will be taken to support Rookery Bay and the United Arts Council of Collier County. Artists will receive checks reflecting the deduction of the commission from the UAC within 60 days of the sale.

Marketing and Publicity

- The UAC and FORB will publicize the exhibit throughout the season. Artists are strongly encouraged to share information regarding the exhibit and the reception to their friends, family, and collectors.
- Artists may provide business cards for display during the exhibit.

EXHIBITION APPLICATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____ Cell: _____

Work phone _____

Email _____

Website _____

Member UAC yes no

Member FORB yes no

Image 1 Title _____

Medium _____

Framed Dimensions _____

Sale price _____

Image 2 Title _____

Medium _____

Framed Dimensions _____

Sale price _____

Send Jpeg images to: KDonovan@UACCollier.org

The title of each Jpeg attachment must include your NAME and the TITLE of the piece.

In the body of the email, include title, medium, framed dimensions, and sale price for each attachment.

Check payable to: United Arts Council of Collier County

Mail to: United Arts Council, 953 4th Avenue North, Naples, FL 34102

ARTIST RELEASE FORM

This agreement is between the United Arts Council of Collier County (“UAC”) and _____ (“Artist”) for the express purpose of art exhibits curated by the UAC and the Friends of Rookery Bay (FORB) at the Rookery Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve (RBNERR).

Artist is submitting images of artwork for consideration for exhibit coordinated by UAC/FORB/RBNERR. Should artwork by the Artist be selected for exhibition, it is with the understanding that while both the UAC and RBNERR will handle the works with care; all liability and responsibility for exhibited works are with the Artist. The Artist does hereby release, discharge and hold harmless the United Arts Council of Collier County, the Friends of Rookery Bay and the Rookery Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve; their officers, employees, volunteers and agents, of and from any and all claims, demands, actions, causes of action and suits at law or in equity for and on account of any injuries, damage, loss or accidents sustained by the Artist or Artist’s property while participating in the exhibits.

In the case of a natural disaster (hurricane, wildfire, etc), FORB/RBNERR will secure the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center to the best of its ability. Artwork will not receive additional care. Nor shall FORB/RBNERR/UAC be liable for any damages should the artist choose to leave their work onsite. FORB/RBNERR/UAC will provide reasonable notice to artists if the Center is going to close, at which point the artist may cover or remove artwork at their discretion.

The Artist retains all rights to the images and gives the UAC and FORB permission to reproduce images of the Artist’s work for internal and external program promotion as well as to post on Internet sites for publicity purposes.

Signed:

Artist

Date