**Disabilities Art Showcase**—**2023**

**Call For Artists**

**Exhibition:** The Disabilities Art Showcase-2023 recognizes, celebrates, and honors the disabilities community of San Mateo County during October, National Disabilities Awareness Month. This showcase is co-sponsored by the San Mateo County Commission on Disabilities.

**Show Dates:**October 2, 2023-October 31, 2023

**Location:**Caldwell Gallery,Main Floor,400 County Center, Redwood City; Free and open to the public: Monday – Friday 8:00am-5:00pm

**Submissions:**

Please submit 1 photo of the artwork (.jpeg, .png, or other readable file) along with your application. Send all submissions to Andrew Eng, Staff Liaison to the Commission on Disabilities, at [aeng@smcgov.org](mailto:aeng@smcgov.org) no later than September 15, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (PST); Artists accepted into *Disabilities Art Showcase—2023*will be notified by email by Thursday, September 21st.

**Theme and Eligibility:**

*Disabilities Art Showcase—2023*, the 15th annual San Mateo County Disabilities Art Showcase, is open to individuals with disabilities starting from Freshmen year of High School through adulthood. Participants must live in San Mateo County or be employed by the County of San Mateo. Artists are encouraged to submit artwork that exemplifies their personal view of the world. Painting, photography, digital painting, and mixed media are welcome so long as conditions listed below are met.

**Entry:**

Only **ONE**(1) wall-hung artwork per artist will be accepted if it meets the following criteria for eligibility:

* Artist delivers the artwork, along with the entry form, to the Caldwell Gallery, Main Floor, 400 County Center, Redwood City on Monday, October 2, 2023, between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. (No late work will be accepted)
* Minimum size of finished work is 16’’ including frame on any one side, with a maximum of 36’’ with frame (Maximum depth is 3’’ and maximum weight is 30lbs per piece)
* Artist signs a release of liability
* Works are dry, framed (wrap canvases are fine with painted edges), and wired for hanging (NO saw tooth hangers)
* Work is labeled on the back with artist’s name, address, phone number, and price (use “NFS” for “not for sale”)
* No images of nudity, religion, politics or violence are allowed due to the nature of public business conducted at County Center
* Artist provides an optional brief statement (maximum 30 words) about the entry in addition to artist name, art title, medium and price (or NFS) for work entered, by email to Andrew Eng at [aeng@smcgov.org](mailto:aeng@smcgov.org).

**Placement of Work:**

Art will be installed at the Caldwell Gallery, (main floor) at the discretion of the Curator.

**Pickup of Artwork:**

Artist (or designated person) must pick up artwork on Tuesday, October 31, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at The Caldwell Gallery (main floor), 400 County Center, Redwood City. There are no facilities to store artwork.

**Questions:**

For any questions or comments, feel free to reach out to Shawna Ahern, County Galleries Curator, [curator@smcgov.org](mailto:curator@smcgov.org), or Andrew Eng, Staff Liaison to the Commission on Disabilities, [aeng@smcgov.org](mailto:aeng@smcgov.org).

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| **“Disabilities Art Showcase – 2023”**  **Exhibitor Application**    Fill out this sheet completely (please print legibly). Only ONE work may be submitted.  There is no submission fee. If you have difficulty completing this application, please contact Andrew Eng at [aeng@smcgov.org](mailto:aeng@smcgov.org).    Artist Name: Click or tap here to enter text.  Title of Work: Click or tap here to enter text.  Medium: Click or tap here to enter text. For Sale? Yes  No  If for sale, price: Click or tap here to enter text.  Dimensions: Click or tap here to enter text.  Phone number where you can be reached: Click or tap here to enter text.  Address: Click or tap here to enter text.  Apt. No.: Click or tap here to enter text. City and Zip Code: Click or tap here to enter text.  Email Address: Click or tap here to enter text.  Artist’s Initials: Click or tap here to enter text.  ***Waiver of Liability: All possible care of the work will be taken. However, the County Commission on Disabilities and the County Arts Commission will not be held responsible for theft or damage while work is being exhibited in the Caldwell Gallery.***    **Artist’s Signature** Click or tap here to enter text.  **\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_**      **KEEP THIS RECEIPT – YOU WILL NEED TO HAVE THIS RECEIPT TO PICK UP WORK.**    Artist Name: Click or tap here to enter text. Entry No: Click or tap here to enter text. |