

JOY OF ART 2020

Topsham Public Library 12th Annual Exhibit

Co-sponsored by the Trustees and the Friends of the Topsham Public Library

GUIDELINES

Joy of Art exhibit dates: January 13, 2020 through February 22, 2020

*** All works entered must remain on display through Saturday, February 22, at 12:00 noon **

Artists may enter up to two (2) works each; \$15 fee per entry.

No more than 70 entries will be accepted for the exhibit.

If over-subscribed, early registrants will receive preference.

Beginning **Saturday, November 16, 2019**, registration forms will be available online at www.friendstopshamlibrary.org/programs/joy-of-the-lens and at the library circulation desk.

The registration deadline is **Saturday, January 4, 2020, at 4:00 PM.**

Completed registration forms may be submitted online, in person at the library, or via email to tplgallery@topshamlibrary.org.

Work must be delivered **Thursday, January 9, 5:30-7:30 PM** or **Friday, January 10, 12:00-3:00 PM**

*** Entry fee(s) and signed Gallery Policy and Waiver are due at drop-off ***

Checks made payable to **Friends of the Topsham Public Library**

Judging will be blind; artists' names will be hidden from the judges.

The Artists' Reception will be Saturday, January 18, 2020, 1:00-3:00 PM

Awards and Honorable Mentions will be made in the following categories at the reception:

Oil or Acrylic ~ Pastel ~ Watercolor ~ Mixed Media or Other Media ~ 3-Dimensional

Deadline for *People's Choice Award* voting: **Wednesday, February 19, at 2:00 PM**

Artist Talk, People's Choice Award and Library Lovers Lottery:

Saturday, February 22, 2020 at 11:00 AM

Pick up work following the Artist Talk on **February 22, between 12:00 & 3:00 PM**

Rules of Entry:

- Entrants must be current residents of Maine, age 16 or older
- No photographs, in *Joy of Art*. Photographers are invited to enter the *Joy of the Lens* exhibit later in the year.
- 2-Dimensional artwork must be framed and wired for hanging safely and securely
 - NO SAWTOOTH HANGERS OR CENTER HOOKS!
 - Outside measurement of frame must be no larger than 36" x 36".
 - No glass on work over 20" x 26". (Plexiglas is acceptable.)
- 3-Dimensional artwork can be freestanding or wall-hung
 - Freestanding must be stable and can be no larger than 14" diameter x 21" high and no heavier than 15 pounds
 - Wall-hung must meet the criteria above for 2-dimensional artworks and weigh no more than 5 pounds.
- The following information must be attached to the back or bottom of each entry: (1) name, (2) address, (3) phone, (4) title or work, (5) awards category, and (6) sale price or "NFS".
- Entry fee(s) of \$15 per entry (payable to **Friends of the Topsham Public Library**) and signed TPL *Gallery Policy and Waiver* are due upon delivery of artwork.
- The library cannot broker sales of artists' work; potential buyers must contact artists directly. Sale prices will be listed in the catalog, but not posted with the exhibits. Business cards are not permitted in the exhibit.

*** Artists are encouraged to donate 10% of the proceeds of sales of *Joy of the Lens* work to the Topsham Public Library. ***

Friends of the Topsham Public Library will prepare a **catalog** for the exhibit that lists artists' town names.

Artists may include a short (**300 words or less**) biography/artist's statements and contact information.

For more information, contact the Topsham Public Library

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