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 ***

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
  o NO SAWTOOTH HANGERS OR CENTER HOOKS!
  o Outside measurement of frame must be no larger than 36” x 36”.
  o No glass on work over 20” x 26”. (Plexiglas is acceptable.)
• 3-Dimensional artwork can be freestanding or wall-hung
  o Freestanding must be stable and can be no larger than 14” diameter x 21” high and no heavier than 15 pounds
  o 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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