

CALL FOR ENTRIES

Water Colors

Open Juried Art Exhibit

November 16, 2019—February 22, 2020

Bowie City Hall, Bowie, Maryland



The Bowie Arts Committee (BAC) will sponsor an exhibit of artwork from local artists. Galleries at Bowie City Hall are located on the 1st and 2nd floors and include display cases for small framed works and sculpture. **The theme for this show is artwork that is created with water media (watercolor, acrylic, etc.), or depicts a scene of water, or evokes the colors of water (such as shades of blue)**. The City will not accept for exhibit at City Hall any artwork containing religious themes and images, nudity, politically offensive images or graphically explicit scenes or images.

EXHIBIT SCHEDULE:

October 18, 2019: DEADLINE for submitting digital entry form to BAC

November 1, 2019: NOTIFICATION of Acceptance by email for artwork selected by BAC

November 16, 2019: HAND DELIVERY of artwork **between 9:00 am and 10:00 am ONLY** to Bowie City Hall, 15901 Excalibur Road, Bowie, Maryland 20716

January 15, 2020: RECEPTION to meet the artists **7 pm to 8 pm**

February 22, 2020: PICK UP of artwork **between 9:00 am and 10:00 am ONLY**

*****PLEASE NOTE THAT WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT ARTWORK BEFORE THE DROP OFF DATE OR TO HOLD ARTWORK AFTER THE PICK UP DATE. *****

ELIGIBILITY: Artists may submit up to three paintings, photographs, mixed media, fiber art, or small sculpture. Any original 2-D and 3-D work that meets the exhibition guidelines and size restrictions will be considered. Any artist residing in Maryland, Virginia, or the District of Columbia 18 years of age and older may enter no more than three pieces of original art falling under the theme of ***Water Colors***.

REQUIREMENTS: Preferred artwork dimensions should be less than 40" both vertically and horizontally. Works must be framed or mounted and all works under glass must be surrounded by a suitable mat. Unframed gallery wrapped canvas must have finished edges. No printed text should be visible on photographs. All framed artwork must have the frame and matting in pristine condition. All works to be wall hung must be secured by screw hooks and wires. Wiring should not be seen over the top of the painting and be taut, so that the artwork hangs as close to the wall as possible. Sculpture must be no larger than 18" wide by 18" high by 12" deep. All entries must be labeled with the artist's name, contact information, title of work and price, and accompanied by a signed contract. A contract will be sent to you by email if artwork is accepted for the exhibit by the BAC. *BAC reserves the right to refuse any art work that fails to meet these requirements.*

PROCEDURE FOR ENTRY: Complete and sign the Entry Form PDF (<http://cityofbowie.org/2288/Art-Galleries>) and attach it to an email to shein@cityofbowie.org with your digital images (no paper photos or CD's).

DIGITAL IMAGE SPECIFICATIONS: Digital images will be used for jurying and planning the exhibit, the show brochure and publicity purposes. Images should be at least 72 dpi and saved in JPEG format. The image file size must not exceed 1MB. Name your files as follows: last name first initial + underscore (or space) + title.jpg. Example: **HomerW_Breezing_Up.jpg** for the painting "Breezing Up" by Winslow Homer. Entries that do not meet the specifications or those received after **October 18, 2019** are not eligible.

SELECTION: Selection for exhibition will be made by the City of Bowie Arts Committee from JPEG images. Final acceptance is made by the jurors from delivered artwork.

SALES: All sales are between the purchaser and the artist. No commission will be collected by the City of Bowie. Work must remain in place for the duration of the exhibit.

QUESTIONS: Please contact the City's Director of Community Services: Sally Hein at shein@cityofbowie.org or (301) 809-3014.