

United Arts Council
of Collier County

Call to Artists

Rookery Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve (RBNERR) and the United Arts Council of Collier County (UAC) request submissions for the “**Photography Annual**” exhibit to be held at the Environmental Learning Center at Rookery Bay in Naples, FL. The exhibit will coincide with the SW Florida Birding and Wildlife Festival held January 16-18, 2009.

“PHOTOGRAPHY ANNUAL”

November 13 – February 2, 2009

Opening reception: November 13, 2008 5:30-7pm

Eligibility

- This exhibit is open to artists residing in Collier and Lee Counties, both full-time and seasonal residents. Artists that are not residents of Collier or Lee County but have previously exhibited at Rookery Bay are also invited to submit work.

Juror:

- Tim Stamm, local Naples photographer will review work. Tim is equally at home with his feet planted firmly on dry land, hanging from the open door of a helicopter a thousand feet in the air, or in a wet suit swimming with sharks 20 fathoms down in the Caribbean: his work proves that he perceives all of these worlds with the gifted eye of an artist. On land Tim excels at aerial, architectural, editorial, food, and fashion shots. His underwater work is equally versatile and imaginative.
- Theme of the show: This exhibit will focus on birds and wildlife. The exhibit will coincide with the SW Florida Birding and Wildlife Festival scheduled for January 16-18, 2009. Photography on any surface and of any style is acceptable. All cameras are acceptable and manipulation of images is acceptable as long as descriptions are included.

Deadlines

- **October 14, 2008** for **receipt** of submission of material (*note: this is not a postmark deadline*)
- Artists will be notified of acceptance by **October 21**.
- Receipt of artwork at Rookery Bay on **Tuesday, November 11 between 10am and 1pm**.
- Opening reception: **Thursday, November 13 from 5:30-7pm**.
- Pick up of artwork at Rookery Bay on **Monday, February 2 between 10am and 1pm**.

Submission Procedures ***Digital Submissions Only***

- Limit is **three** submittals per artist. Email jpegs to: abrowne@uaccollier.com.
- Name, title, medium, date, dimensions, prices should be filled out in the application. Digital manipulation must be described.
- ***Although jpegs are accepted, all entering artists must send in an application form, check, and release form in order for an application considered to be complete.***

Fees

- A submission fee of \$10 per image is required for consideration. Checks should be payable to United Arts Council, a 501(c)3 organization, so tax-deductible
- Artists may submit up to three jpegs
- ***Fees are waived for members of the United Arts Council or Friends of Rookery Bay (FORB)***

Notification of acceptance

- Artists will be notified by phone or email of acceptance into the exhibit by October 21.

Shipping and Installation

- Work must be ready for installation: framed, wired etc. The facility at Rookery Bay uses a museum quality hanging rod system so work must be able to hang from a curved hanger; *no saw tooth 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 slides. Artwork must be available for the duration of the exhibit.
- Delivery of work: work must be delivered to the Rookery Bay NERR Environmental Learning Center on Tuesday, November 11 between 10am and 1pm.

Insurance

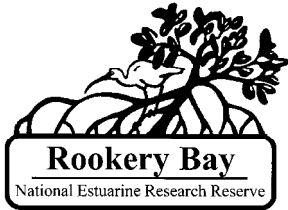
- While the RBNERR building is considered secure, it is a public facility. All exhibiting artists will be asked to sign a release form included in the application form.

Sale of Artwork:

- Sales will be handled through the Friends of Rookery Bay Nature Store located in the Environmental Learning Center. A 30% commission will be taken to support Rookery Bay and the United Arts Council. Artists will receive checks reflecting the deduction of the commission. Payment to artists will be done on a regular basis throughout the duration of the exhibit.
- Artists may display other printed material such as brochures and business cards.

Reception and Publicity

- There will be an opening reception provided by the Friends of Rookery Bay. The UAC will publicize the exhibit throughout the season.



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EXHIBITION APPLICATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____

Work phone _____

Email _____

Website _____

Member UAC yes no

Member FORB yes no

Image 1 Title _____

Medium _____

Dimensions _____

Sale price _____

Image 2 Title _____

Medium _____

Dimensions _____

Sale price _____

Image 3 Title _____

Medium _____

Dimensions _____

Sale price _____

Jpeg images may be sent to abrowne@uaccollier.com complete with title, medium, dimensions and sale price

Check payable to: United Arts Council. Mail to: United Arts Council, 2335 Tamiami Trail North, #504, Naples, FL 34103. Please include an artist resume or bio. An artist statement is recommended but not required.

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 National Estuarine Research Reserve at Rookery Bay (RBNERR).

Artist is submitting slides of artwork for consideration for exhibition in UAC/RBNERR-curated exhibits. Should artwork by the Artist be selected for exhibition, it is with the understanding that while both the UAC and companies providing exhibition space 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 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.

Signed:

Artist

Date