Call for Art

Pandemic Perspectives

An Outdoor Art Show Presented by MountainTrotter Arts, in partnership with Happy Sprout Gardens 501C3 organizations located in Radford, VA

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Purpose: The purpose of this exhibition is to provide a creative outlet for NRV residents to artfully express their response to the pandemic, and to provide an outdoor artful destination for NRV residents to safely view and experience art.

MountainTrotter Arts is a volunteer run nonprofit organization dedicated to showcasing and advocating for local artists, musicians, and creators. By creating free local events, MTA not only supports the local art scene, but encourages the community to learn from the arts, enjoy what the arts have to offer, and shop local & small. Our events are inclusive and open to all.

Location: Central Depot Courtyard, 307 W Main St, Radford, VA 24141

Eligibility: NRV Artists, all ages

Event Dates: July 20 to October 11, 2020

Entry Deadline (Extended): July 17th, 6pm

Number of Submissions - Minimum: 1, **Maximum:** 3

No entry fee

Theme: Pandemic Perspectives
What is your artful response to Life During the Time of Covid-19? What has your journey been like? Has it been one of hope? Of upheaval? Boredom? Something else? What have you learned about yourself, or the people you have quarantined with? Do you feel “we are all in this together”, or something entirely different? Are you different now than you were before the pandemic? How has life changed for you?

We are going through a time that will be recorded in history as full of uncertainty, frustration, fear, and great unknowns. However, times like these can be fruitful periods of revelation, insight, and great creativity. What we say and create now as we are in the

midst of it will become part of the zeitgeist of this time, OUR TIME, as well as part of future conversations and reflection. Throughout the history of civilization, artists have reflected their present experiences in the art they create. What is your perspective? What do you have to say through art? We want to know!

You are invited to put these feelings into artwork (2D or 3D) that can be displayed outdoors for up to 4 months, in an Art Garden Space where Anything Grows, where the public will be invited to view, touch, and interact with art while being safely distanced.

MountainTrotter Arts, seeks 2D and 3D fine art/craft entries that speak of our current situation and anticipations for the future. Works to be exhibited will be chosen by a panel of artists and MTA Board members based on artistic creativity, experimentation, imagination, originality, and response to the theme. This exhibition will be free and open to the public from July 20, 2020 until October 11, 2020 at Central Depot Courtyard located at 307 W Main St, Radford, VA (Next to Brick House Pizza, behind the white stucco wall with open windows).

Material Requirements:

This will be an outdoor show thus materials must be weather tolerant and sturdy. Wood, metal, mounted styrofoam, acrylic or oil paintings on wood, mounted masonite would be appropriate. **Please no paper mache, unsealed-canvases or unprotected paper. Framed paper is discouraged.** Art that is vulnerable must be housed or mounted in a way that is protected.

Mounts, sculpture bases, or means of securing are the responsibility of the artist. Please email the **Artist Help Line** if you are in need of assistance. Work presented without needed mounts, even after acceptance will be turned away. All hanging work must be between 2 and 5 pounds in weight, and ready to hang with wire hangers. Please, no saw-tooth hangers. If you are uncertain whether your artwork is hardy enough, need problem solving help, or have questions about acceptability, please forward your questions via email to our **Artist Help Line**: nikkipynnstudio@gmail.com.

Submission of Artwork Guidelines

- Open to NRV Residents
- **All art submitted must have been created during the Covid-19 Pandemic.**
- Submit one to three images. All entries will be chosen (juried) from a digital image (JPEG, TIFF, GIF, PNG)
- Each artist may enter up to three pieces of original artwork. No more than one piece per artist will be exhibited if chosen.
- Group created pieces are allowed.
- Art work needs to be made to withstand the elements.
- Artists understand that work will be exhibited in an unsecure location, exposed to the elements for up to 4 months.

- Art work is encouraged to be made to be touched and interacted with
- If they choose, artists are responsible for insuring their art pieces
- To Submit, include the following in an email to MountainTrotter Arts (mountaintrotterarts@gmail.com)
    - Subject line: Your name, title of Artwork**,** i.e. “Shawn Jones, Living Hugless”
    - Body of Text: Fill in form below.
    - Improperly labeled submission will not be accepted.
    - All information given on the original entry as to title, size and price will be accepted as final.
    - Art may be priced for sale. Sales will be between artist and buyer. MountainTrotter Arts will take no commission.

NOTE: Finalists will be notified prior to July 18th, with instructions for drop-off or pick-up of art.

Email to: MountainTrotterArts@gmail.com
Application Form (copy and paste into body of email):

Artist information:
Your Name _____

Company/Business Name (If applicable) _____

Address: _____

Phone number_____ for MT contact purposes only

Your Email _____

If under 18, Legal guardian information:

Name:_____

Contact (Email & Phone): _____

If in elementary - high school, please include your grade _____

(Limit 3 pieces--Include a separate entry for each piece)

1. Artist or Group _____

   Title of Work _____

   Materials_____

   Size: Width_____ Heighth_____Depth_____Weight _____

   Price _____ or NFS (Not For Sale)

   Attach your JPEG, TIFF, GIF, PNG to email.