

Art in City Hall

“Around Town”

Call to Artists

May 23, 2011 –December 16, 2011

The Art League and the **City of Alexandria**, in conjunction with the Mayor’s initiative to promote the arts citywide in Alexandria, are coordinating a rotating fine art exhibit. This exhibit will enhance the environment of Alexandria’s City Hall and promote the talent of local artists. The exhibit will be juried by an outside, independent expert in the arts, and will hang for seven months on the second floor of the Alexandria City Hall. Members of The Art League, Del Ray Artisans, and the Torpedo Factory Artists’ Association are invited to participate.

Deadline for Digital Submissions:

Postmarked by Friday, May 6, 2011 6:00pm, mail or deliver CD’s to The Art League Gallery, 105 N Union St, Alexandria, VA 22314. Artists will be notified no later than May 13.

Delivery of work: Saturday, May 21, 2011, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at Alexandria City Hall, 2nd floor (*Please use the Cameron St. entrance at the 300 block of Cameron*)

Theme: “Around Town” – Images of and about Alexandria

Reception: Monday, May 23, 2011, 5:00pm – 7:00pm, Awards presentation and announcement of Alexandria Commission for the Arts Grant recipients. Room 2000, Alexandria City Hall, 300 King St., Alexandria, VA 22314

Exhibition Dates: May 23, 2011 – December 16, 2011

Exhibition Hours: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, Monday – Friday

End of Show Pick Up: Saturday, December 17, 2011, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm (*Work not picked up will be delivered to The Art League Gallery at 2:00 pm, and a \$5 per day per piece storage fee will be charged.*)
NO EARLY PICK-UPS ARE ALLOWED.

Eligibility: Open to members of the above listed organizations. Non-members may join the above listed organizations, with the exception of The Torpedo Factory Artists Association. Contact information is listed below.

Entry Fee: \$3.00 per piece, up to three pieces of original work.

Juror: Juror – Ginger Hammer-Assistant Curator of Old Master Drawings at the National Gallery of Art.

Submitting Work:

1. The juror will only accept works in digital images only.
2. Image entry must be JPEG digital files and must be PC and MAC compatible. Artists may submit up to 3 images. CDs must contain the artist’s name on both the actual CD and the case. JPEGs should be no larger than 300 dpi at approximately 4” x 6”. All digital files must include the artist’s name and title of the submission (e.g. smith-paintingtitle2.jpg)
3. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE) with sufficient postage for the return of CDs if you want these returned to you.
4. A non-refundable fee of \$3 per entry must accompany each entry form. Checks are to be made payable to The Art League.
5. The entry form must be complete and include media, dimension information.

Be sure to sign and date the loan agreement which you will receive once you are accepted into the exhibit. Please print clearly, we need your information to be legible and accurate, including your e-mail address.

6. Artists are responsible for delivery of their work to the Alexandria City Hall on May 21, 2011 between 10:00am-2:00pm.

7. All work must be ready for display, securely framed with screw eyes and wires firmly attached. No taped or clip style frames are allowed. Works on paper should have a protective covering of glass or Plexiglas. Work will be eliminated if poorly prepared or wet. All work must be original; no giclee' reproductions will be accepted. Works cannot have been juried into previous Bi-Annual Art in City Hall Juried Exhibitions or previous exhibits at The Art League Gallery. This exhibit will apply as one show towards Bin Gallery membership at The Art League for the exhibit year 2011 - 2012.

8. 3-D artists are asked to contact The Art League to discuss presentation issues. Artists may review the exhibit space (during regular City Hall hours) in advance; please note that corridors have only eight-foot high ceilings. Artists are advised that the exhibition space is a government office building open to all members of the public, including children, and are asked to submit work appropriate to this venue.

Work Guidelines:

1. Only members of The Art League, Del Ray Artisans, and members of the Torpedo Factory Artists Association.
2. No works over 40 lbs or larger than 3' x 4'.
3. A commission of 40% will go to The Art League gallery on all work sold as a result of this exhibition.
4. Artists are responsible for delivery and pick-up of work. Work not picked up by Dec. 17, 2011 at 2:00 PM is subject to a \$5 per day late fee. NO SHIPPED WORK WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Sales: Work may be for sale or marked NFS (Not For Sale). If NFS, a value must be stated in the Loan Agreement form for insurance purposes. A 25% commission applies to all artwork sold. Accepted artwork (not including duplicate works) may NOT be sold directly by artists or their representatives (including through their websites) for the duration of the Exhibition.

Loan Agreement: Artists are required to provide a completed and signed Loan Agreement Form, at delivery of artwork. "Spring 2011 Alexandria Art in City Hall Loan Agreement" The Loan Agreement will be sent to those artists whose work is accepted. Permission to photograph any artwork for publicity purposes is considered granted unless otherwise stated in writing. The City and The Art League are not liable for theft or damage to submitted artwork.

Awards: The juror will select works for monetary awards.

More Information: Call The Art League gallery at 703-683-1780, for more information.

About the Sponsors:

The Art League is a charitable and educational 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, that provides opportunities for artists to have their work juried by visual arts professionals from the metropolitan area in monthly shows. It also operates a non-accredited school of fine art, and operates outreach programs in the community. Located in the Torpedo Factory at 105 North Union St, Alexandria, Virginia. www.theartleague.org.

Alexandria Commission for the Arts is a City Council appointed 16 member commission responsible for allocating public funds to support the arts and advising Council on arts related policies. The Commission also works on other arts initiatives, such as the Annual Alex awards,

and a new initiative for Alexandria—Percent for Arts program. The Commission oversees Public Art and has instituted the Mayor’s Gallery, Council Gallery and City Manager’s Gallery.
www.alexandriacommissionforthearts.org.

Participating Organizations

The Art League – 703-683-1780 – 105 N. Union St., Alexandria, VA 22314 – www.theartleague.org

Del Ray Artisans – 703-838-4827 – 2704 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria, VA 22301 – <http://www.thedelrayartisans.org>

Torpedo Factory Art Center – 105 N. Union St. Alexandria, VA 22314 – www.torpedofactory.org

Entry Form

Artist Name: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Title of Artwork #1:

Medium:

Dimensions:

Price/or Value, if NFS:

Please note any surface marking, scratches, or flaws, including frames, bases, or installation materials:

Please note any special handling instructions:

Title of Artwork #2

Medium:

Dimensions:

Price/or Value, if NFS:

Please note any surface marking, scratches, or flaws, including frames, bases, or installation materials:

Please note any special handling instructions:

Title of Artwork #3:

Medium:

Dimensions:

Price/or Value, if NFS:

Please note any surface marking, scratches, or flaws, including frames, bases, or installation materials:

Please note any special handling instructions: