

Artist In Action Temporary Studio, Show & Sale : January 20-March 1, 2017

Annamarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center, Dowell (Solomons), MD, In Association with the Smithsonian Institution

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ARTISTS



Artist Jen Poteet shows a young visitor her creative process.

From **January 20-March 1, 2017**, Annmarie’s spectacular Main Gallery will be transformed into temporary artist studios, providing a serene retreat and experimental space for artists to develop new works, display and sell their work, network with other artists, and share their creative process with visitors.

Annamarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center seeks artists working in any media to submit proposals to set up a working studio space in the Main Gallery for 1-2 week periods. These studios will be set up much like a “booth,” utilizing the artist’s own supplies and equipment. Artists are expected to be present in their studio booth during the majority of their scheduled 1-2 week period (which must include at least one weekend). **Artists are encouraged to sell artwork in their booths.** This call is

open to all media. In addition, **artists are asked to create an activity for visitors**, as simple or as complex as you wish, that will allow visitors to experiment with your materials and creative process. The size and complexity of the activity/project is up to you. Artists may choose to have an on-going activity throughout the duration of their stay, *or* set specific times that the activity will operate. Through this program, artists are afforded an opportunity to work in free studio space in a beautiful setting. This is a perfect occasion for a serene retreat to immerse yourself in your artwork and to network with other artists. **Overnight accommodations for out-of-town artists are available on a first-come, first-served basis.**

The Artist in Action Studio Space

Artists will set up their temporary studio space in our beautiful museum-grade Main Gallery of Annmarie’s award-winning Murray Arts Building. The Main Gallery features an abundance of natural light, high ceilings, tile floors, and internet access. Each studio space is approximately 15’ x 15’. Annmarie will also provide up to (5) 8-foot tables for each artist’s studio, as well as misc. partition walls and pedestals. Artists are encouraged to display works for sale in their space.

A Hands-On Experience for Guests

All artists are asked to create a hands-on experience for guests. Options include inviting guests to experiment with your materials and/or process, or to design a collaborative work of art that guests will help create. To this end, all artists must be willing to speak with guests, answer questions, and to invite visitors into their creative process. **Artists may choose to have an on-going activity throughout the duration of their stay, OR set specific times during which your activity will take place. Your activity *must* include one weekend day of artists’ stay.**



Artist Holly Cook works with a Girl Scout troop.

Sale of Work

All sales will run through the Annmarie Gift Shop, where the appropriate sales tax will be collected. Annmarie will retain a 20% commission on all sales.

About Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center

An affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center is a thirty-acre park located in scenic Solomons, Maryland, on the Chesapeake Bay. The sculpture park features a walking path which meanders through the forest, past permanent and loaned sculpture, including over thirty-five works on loan from the Smithsonian Institution’s Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden and the National Gallery of Art. The Garden also produces a wide variety of special events,

classes and workshops, gallery shows, and engaging public art programs. The new Studio School offers creative classes taught by a talented faculty. The award-winning Arts building, is a 15000 sq ft museum-grade exhibition space that includes two large galleries, a gift shop, the artLAB, and a sunny patio that offers lovely views of the outdoor sculpture.

About Solomons, Maryland

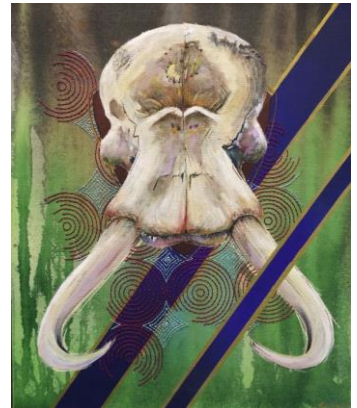
Annamarie is located in Solomons, a lovely waterfront town situated where the Patuxent River meets the Chesapeake Bay. Just over an hour drive from the Washington DC-Baltimore metro area, Solomons is a popular destination for tourists, boaters, and regional residents. With spectacular views, interesting shops, a terrific marine museum, and wonderful restaurants, Solomons is a delightful place to spend a day or weekend. The distinctive setting and engaging array of programs and exhibits makes Annmarie Garden an important element of any visit to Solomons and southern Maryland.

Overnight Accommodations

For those artists travelling from outside of the southern Maryland area, Annmarie allows use of an artist's apartment located on site. This space is available on a first-come, first-served basis. **Please note that artists staying in the apartment must bring their own sheets, towels, and toiletries.** The apartment includes a small kitchen where you may prepare meals. The Curator of Exhibitions will handle reservations upon acceptance into the show. Additional accommodations can be made at the Hilton Garden Inn and the Holiday Inn, both located near Annmarie. Artists are expected to make their own arrangements with the Hilton, Holiday Inn, or other nearby hotels and B&Bs.

Eligibility

- all media types are welcome.
- The exhibition is open to all artists age 18 and older who are living and working in the United States.
- Proposals must include an artist's statement & resume, a sketch and written description of the proposed studio setup, a brief description of your activity/project for guests, a short description of your artistic process, and a portfolio of at least 6 images of your most recent work.
- All art equipment that will be used during the living gallery must be supplied by the artist and approved by the Curator of Exhibitions. Annmarie will provide up to five - 8' tables for your studio setup.
- Please note: artists may be asked to refrain from using certain paints when school groups are touring the gallery. Outdoor work space can be arranged for artists that utilize paints and other supplies and materials with strong fumes.



Artist In Action work by Michael Weaver.

Gallery Specs

4200 sq. ft. exhibition space; electrical outlets in each studio; internet access; centralized 24-hour temperature and humidity controls; building-wide security

On-going Selection Process

Each Proposal/entry will be reviewed and notification of acceptance will be made within 10 business days of receiving the application. Final deadline for all applications is December 5, 2016. Notification of acceptance will be made on or before December by December 13, 2016.

Artist's Studio Set-up/ De-installation

Annmarie reserves the right to reject any work or studio workspace that significantly differs from the entry images/proposals. Artists are expected to work for the duration of their studio time and to be here for at least one weekend. Artists are required to install/de-install on the dates approved by the Curator of Exhibitions. Due to the nature of this exhibit, artists are required to set-up and install their own workspace and artwork. Artists must provide all of their own studio and display equipment. All work and equipment must be removed by the date mutually agreed upon by the artist and the Curator of Exhibitions.

Questions:

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