Call for Entries – a national juried exhibition

Heroes & Villains: exploring archetypes through art, June 19 - August 23, 2015

This exhibit invites artists to submit works that celebrate the heroes and villains that populate history, literature, popular culture, folklore, mythology, psychology, and other realms of human experience and expression. As an artist, where do you find inspiration? In the protagonist or the antagonist, or in the many shades of gray in between? Do historical figures fascinate you, or do you turn to fictional characters for your subject matter? Whether you look to history books or comic books, or your own fantastical imagination, this exhibit welcomes artists that explore the complexities and nuances of heroes and villains. All media welcome; small to large-scale installations; new media encouraged; indoor and outdoor works accepted; cash awards to be presented. Juror to be announced.

The Exhibition Space

The exhibit will be installed in the spacious Main Gallery of Annmarie’s award-winning Murray Arts Building. With over 4000 sq ft of exhibition space, moveable walls, high ceilings, tile floors, an Arakawa hanging system, Internet access, and electric outlets located in the walls, floor and ceiling, the Main Gallery can accommodate all sizes and types of installations. As Annmarie includes a thirty acre sculpture garden, a few outdoor works will also be included in the exhibit.
Annmarie After Hours Opening
A special opening reception for the exhibit called Annmarie After Hours, will take place on Friday, June 19, 2015, 6-9pm. Annmarie After Hours is a casual adult evening of great art, wine/beer, light hors d’oeuvres, and live music. The sculpture garden will remain open with extended hours, taking full advantage of the exceptional venue. Each artist will enjoy complimentary admission to Annmarie After Hours.

Art Blooms Gala Reception & Exhibit
From Friday, July 17 through Sunday, July 19, the Calvert Garden Club will present a three-day exhibit at Annmarie titled Art Blooms. This spectacular exhibit will feature floral arrangements inspired by the works of art in the Annmarie galleries. The Friday night reception is a ticketed affair that includes delicious food and drink, along with live music and convivial company! Heroes & Villains artists will receive an invitation to the Friday night gala (with a reduced price ticket cost).

About Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center
An affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, Annmarie is a thirty-acre sculpture garden and arts center located in scenic Solomons, Maryland, on the Chesapeake Bay. The sculpture garden features a walking path that meanders through the forest, past permanent and loaned sculpture, including more than forty works on loan from the Smithsonian Institution and the National Gallery of Art. Artists in the collection include: George Rickey, Jean Arp, Barbara Hepworth, Cesar, Robert Engman, Jules Olitski, Kenneth Snelson, Menashe Kadishman, and Francisco Zuniga. The garden also presents a variety of special events, gallery shows, and engaging public art programs throughout the year. The Studio School offers creative classes taught by a talented faculty. The award-winning Arts Building, which opened in May ’08, is a 15,000 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
Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center 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. This distinctive setting and engaging array of programs and exhibits makes Annmarie an important element of any visit to Solomons and southern Maryland.

Exhibit Eligibility
All media types are welcome; small to large scale; indoors and outdoors. The exhibition is open to artists age 18 and older working in the U.S. Video entries must be submitted on DVD, playable on QuickTime or RealPlayer, and no more than 20 minutes in length. DVD or computer based works must be exhibited on equipment provided by artist. Internet access is available. Bases and pedestals must well-balanced and sturdy. Annmarie has a limited number of bases, please inquire if you think your work will require one. All frames must be simple in design and ornamentation, preferably black or silver. All works to be hung on the wall must arrive with hanging hardware pre-installed. Sending an entry constitutes agreement on the part of the entrant to all conditions set forth in this prospectus.
Main Gallery Specs

- 4000 sq. ft. indoor exhibition space.
- Accommodates floor, wall, and ceiling mounts.
- Electricity available.
- Arakawa hanging system.
- Internet access.
- Delivery door dimensions 8’ x 8’.
- Lifting capabilities, include a pallet jack, an elevator for second floor deliveries, and a 2-ton Max. pulley system.
- Centralized 24-hour temperature and humidity controls.
- Building-wide security.

Jury & Selection Process

The exhibit will be juried by a 1-2 member panel; typically, one member of the panel is drawn from the Smithsonian Institution. Artists will be selected based on skill, technique, and originality. The deadline to apply is April 1, 2015. Artists will be notified of final acceptance status via email on or before April 17, 2015.

Artwork Delivery/ Return

Annmarie reserves the right to reject any accepted work that significantly differs from the entry images. Artist must supply all equipment for display of work, including audio visual equipment. Exceptions to this rule must be approved by the Curator of Exhibitions, Melissa Langley.

Shipped work must be sent in a reusable container with the pre-paid return shipping slip included. Works must be shipped via UPS, FedEx, etc. Please note that we will not return works via USPS, so please choose an alternate carrier for shipping. No collect deliveries will be accepted. You must use our street address for all deliveries (13480 Dowell Road, Dowell, MD 20629); carriers will not deliver to a P.O. Box. Insurance takes affect when art is unpacked. All work must arrive between May 30 - June 7, 2015. If you wish to arrange for delivery on a day outside this range, you MUST make advance arrangements with the Curator of Exhibitions. She can be reached at exhibits@annmariegarden.org.

Special note about arranging delivery or pick-up of art work. The Annmarie Arts Building DOES NOT have a loading dock or forklift; therefore, when arranging delivery/pick-up for heavy works, you must request a delivery truck with a lift gate. Staff does have a pallet jack to assist with moving large crated objects into the building. Please also request that driver call ahead to notify staff of impending delivery.

For those artists who wish to hand deliver their work and/or install their own work, on-site housing is sometimes available (on a first come, first served basis).

Accepted works will remain on display for the duration of the exhibition.

All hand-delivered work must be picked-up between August 24-30, 2015. Any work not picked up by the end of this period will not be covered by insurance and may be subject to a storage fee. Any work unclaimed after 60 days will be auctioned for the benefit of Annmarie.

Cash Awards

Annmarie will present cash awards to outstanding work. Jurors will review installed works (not application images) for award selection. If possible, selection will occur prior to the exhibit opening and awards will be presented at the Annmarie After Hours Opening Reception. Award amounts are contingent upon funding; typically there are at least three awards each about $250. All award-winning artists will receive an invitation for a solo or group show.
**Sale of Work**
Works selected for exhibition cannot be removed before the end of the exhibition. Should a sale resulting from the exhibition occur, Annmarie will retain a 40% commission of the listed sale price.

**Entry Fee**
Artists must submit a **$25 non-refundable entry fee** (or **$20 for Annmarie members**) for up to four entries. Entry fee must be paid by check, money order, or credit card. The entry fee, must be accompanied by a CD with two or three images (see below for explanation) of EACH artwork (one or two overall views of the artwork, one detail shot, and one installation shot); artist statement for each work, and artist bio - all burned onto the CD. In addition, a fully completed ENTRY form must be included. There is a returned check fee of $25.

**Image Requirements**
- Each 2D entry should include 2 images of the artwork (close-up where needed). 3D works should include three images of the artwork (from different angles and installation shot).
- All images must be in digital jpeg format
- Images must be submitted on one CD labeled with artist’s name and contact information
- Image file names must coincide with the entry number on the application form, followed by first initial and last name of artist. Example...1BJackson.jpg, 2BJackson.jpg, 3BJackson.jpg, 4BJackson.jpg, etc...
- All images must be high-quality jpeg format
- Video entries must be submitted on DVD and must be viewable in QuickTime or Windows media player. DVD’s should be no more than 20 minutes in length.
- CDs and DVDs will not be returned.
- Annmarie reserves the right to use the information in all application materials for publicity purposes.

**Artist Statement & Resume** – **burn and submit on a CD**
All applicants MUST submit an **artist statement for EACH work** (no more than one or two paragraphs in length for each work of art). The artist statement will be used in the exhibit. Artist must also submit a complete resume. Applications will not be considered without these documents. **These DOCUMENTS must be submitted in hard copy form, as well as burned onto a CD in WORD format and submitted with your entry form/materials.**

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**Important Dates**

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Heroes & Villains – please complete and return the ENTRY FORM and the SUVREY – thank you!

ENTRY FORM

Annmarie Garden Exhibits, PO Box 99, Dowell, MD 20629.

Total Amount Enclosed: &_____________

NAME____________________________________

ADDRESS____________________________________

PHONE____________________________________

EMAIL____________________________________

WEBSITE____________________________________

How did you hear about this call?

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Delivery & Crating Information

Please note that Annmarie Garden has limited storage room, therefore artists are encouraged to personally deliver their work.

I agree to all provisions in this prospectus.

Signed ____________________________

Dated ____________________________

PAYMENT INFORMATION

__Check  __Visa  __Mastercard

Acct #___________________________

Exp Date__________ CID #________

Amount________________________

Signature_____________________

CHECKLIST Did you include:

- entry form for each work?
- $25 fee for up to 4 entries?
- 3 images of each entry?
- artist’s statement and resume?

ENTRY 1:

Title____________________________________

Medium____________________________________

Weight____________________________________

Overall Dimensions  w____ h____ d____

Location  __indoor  __outdoor

(please note this is a predominantly indoor show, but a few outdoor works will be considered)

Mounting: __floor  __wall  __ceiling

If floor-mounted, footprint dimensions:

w____  h____  d____

Price/ NFS value________________________

Electricity needed?_____________________

ENTRY 2:

Title____________________________________

Medium____________________________________

Weight____________________________________

Overall Dimensions  w____ h____ d____

Location  __indoor  __outdoor

(please note this is a predominantly indoor show, but a few outdoor works will be considered)

Mounting: __floor  __wall  __ceiling

If floor-mounted, footprint dimensions:

w____  h____  d____

Price/ NFS value________________________

Electricity needed?_____________________

For additional entries, please attach a separate paper listing the same information as above.

Reminder: Entry fee is $20 for Annmarie Members! To check if you are a member, email info@annmariegarden.org
Where do you find out about EXHIBIT opportunities?

Please check ALL that apply!

- NYFA – New York Foundation for the Arts  [https://www.nyfa.org/](https://www.nyfa.org/)
- ArtDeadline.Com (access arts Network)  [http://artdeadline.com/](http://artdeadline.com/)
- MICA – Maryland Institute College of Art  [http://www.mica.edu/](http://www.mica.edu/)
- AF (The Artists Forum)  [http://www.theartistsforum.org/home.html](http://www.theartistsforum.org/home.html)

Other? Please list:

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THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS SURVEY!