

Poetry & Art

The Exhibit: September 14 to October 14, 2018

Opening Reception: Friday, September 14th, 6:30 to 8:30 PM

Call for Poets

Welcome to the sixth annual Poetry & Art! After five successful and moving exhibits from 2013 to 2017, we are thrilled to begin preparations for our next exhibit. The theme of the 2018 Poetry & Art exhibit will be based upon the mission statement of the Wickford Art Association “**educate, encourage, and inspire.**”

This year, we are introducing an exciting reversal to the exhibit process. First, we will select 40 original poems based upon the theme. The poems will then be assigned to selected artists who will create original works of art, inspired by these poems. Another change this year is the jurying of artwork. Participating artists will be chosen based upon a portfolio of their work. Artists and poets are juried anonymously. A limited-edition book cataloging the exhibit will be published.

Thrilling news is that the 5 previous Poetry & Art books have been accepted into The Poets House library in New York City, and the 2018 book will be a part of their library collection as well! The Poets House is one of the premiere poetry libraries in the country.

The Call to Poets for original works of poetry is open from February 8 to April 8, 2018.

Poetry & Art’s Call for Artists for fine art submissions is now open and available on our website www.wickfordart.org/

Poets and artists will not meet until just prior to the opening, heightening the excitement for this annual exhibit at the Wickford Art Association. Poetry readings and related events will take place during and around the time of the exhibit.



Call for Poets Submission Guidelines:

- Eligibility: All emerging and established poets and writers are eligible.
- Number of Entries: One to three **new, original, unpublished** poems written in response to the theme.
- Theme: Poems will be written in response to the theme of “**educate, encourage, and inspire.**”
- The selected poems **will** be used in the Poetry & Art exhibit.
- No politics, religion, offensive language or subject matter.

Deadlines & Exhibit Fee:

- **Sunday, April 8, 2018:** Deadline for submission of new, original, unpublished poems.
- **Monday, May 1, 2018:** Poets are notified by email of acceptance.
- **June 1, 2018:** If accepted, payment of \$40 must be received by June 1st. If payment is not received, poems will not be included in the show.
- Exhibit Fee: Once selected, the fee for a poet’s participation in the exhibit is \$40.00 and includes one (1) copy of the limited edition 2018 Wickford Art Association Poetry & Art exhibit book. Fee may be paid with a credit card through PayPal online at www.wickfordart.org. Payments may also be made by credit card or check mailed or hand-delivered to the gallery. Please make checks payable to **Wickford Art Association**. Cash payments should be made in the gallery only.
- Mailed Books: Include an additional \$10 for mailed books (US only).

What to Submit:

The Poems:

- Each poem may not exceed one page, 32 lines maximum (including stanza breaks and title), 14-point type, Times New Roman font. **Include Title and Poem only on page** - no author’s name.
- Format: **Each poem** must be submitted in a **Microsoft Word document (.doc or .docx) format only** so all formatting is preserved.
- Name your poem file(s): “(Your Name) Submission”. Example: Jane Smith Submission.doc
- Poems over 32 lines will not be considered.
- Three (3) poems may be submitted per poet.

The Cover Sheet:

- Complete separate Cover Sheet with your name, address, phone number, email address, title of your poem(s), and a short bio not to exceed 50 words. Then save as a PDF and submit with your poem(s).



How to Submit:

- Submitting: Attach poem(s) and cover sheet to one email, email to wickford.poetryandart@gmail.com
- The email's Subject Line must read: "Poetry Submission: Your Name." For example: Subject: Poetry Submission: Jane Smith

Acceptance:

- Judging and Acceptance: participating poets will be selected based upon their entries as chosen by the Poetry & Art Committee.
- Selected poets will be notified via e-mail by **Monday, May 1, 2018**.

Questions:

- Please contact: wickford.poetryandart@gmail.com
- In the subject line, please note: "Questions for Poetry & Art".

You Agree:

By submitting poetry, you agree to all terms specified: the Wickford Art Association may publish your final, completed work for the purposes of an exhibition, the creation of a book for fundraising and for publicity for the Wickford Art Association.

The logo for the Poetry & Art Committee is written in a highly decorative, flowing cursive script. The word "Poetry" is on the left, followed by a small ampersand "&" in the center, and the word "Art" is on the right. The letters are interconnected and have long, elegant flourishes, particularly on the 'P' and 'A'.

We look forward to your participation in this exciting show!
6th Annual Poetry & Art Committee
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