

# Poetry & Art

**The Exhibit: September 25 to October 18, 2020**

Opening Reception: Friday- September 25 (5:30pm Poets & Artists, 6:30 - 8:30pm Public)

## CALL FOR POEMS

### The Exhibit:

Following seven successful and moving exhibits from 2013 to 2018, preparations have begun for the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Poetry & Art event. This year the Poetry will lead the event – whereby poetry will be collected and curated. Then, participating artists will be selected based on a small portfolio of their work and assigned a curated poem based upon the theme of “Transition.” The artists will be challenged to create an original work based on their assigned poem.

### TRANSITION

Seasonal - Phase of Life - Change - Passage – Movement - Contrast

All poets and artists are juried anonymously. Wickford Art Association will select approximately 40 poets and artists for the live exhibition and for the 2020 Poetry & Art limited-edition book. WAA will continue the tradition of submitting our Poetry & Art publication to The Poets House library— one of America’s premiere poetry libraries, in New York City. Each edition of Poetry & Art has been submitted to The Poet House collection.

Poets may submit up to three original poems based on the theme of “Transition” to the WAA Poetry & Art Committee between February 15, 2020 and April 1, 2020 (by midnight). Please **do not** submit poems that have been published in previous Poetry and Art exhibits. The Committee will notify poets by April 17, 2020 as to whether they have been selected to participate in the Poetry & Art. Selected poems will be formatted for display at the exhibition alongside artwork.



Poets and artists will not meet until just prior to the opening, heightening the excitement for this annual exhibit at the Wickford Art Association. Live poetry readings will take place at the opening night reception. Each selected poet will receive a complimentary copy of Poetry & Art and all poets accepted will incur a \$45 registration fee.

### Submission Guidelines:

- Eligibility: All emerging and established poets and writers are eligible.
- Number of Entries: One (1) to three (3) **new, original, unpublished** poems written in response to the theme.
- Theme: Poems will be written in response to the theme of “**Transition.**”
- Each poem must consist of title and poem only; they should not identify the poet’s name.
- Please submit typed poetry in Microsoft Word document (.doc) format or Adobe PDF (.pdf) format; no handwritten work will be considered.
- Formatting: each poem must be no more than one page, 32 lines maximum, 12-point type, Times New Roman font, left justified-- not centered; case and punctuation should be indicated and will be assumed intentional by the jurist(s).
- The selected poems **will** be used in the Poetry & Art exhibit, formatted and laminated for exhibition.
- Subject: please refrain from language, subject matter, or political/religious references which could be considered offensive.
- **Poems that do not meet these guidelines will not be considered.**

### Deadlines & Registration Fee:

- **April 1, 2020:** Deadline for submission of one (1) to three (3) poems for consideration.
- **April 17, 2020:** Poets are notified by email of acceptance, including an invoice for the \$45 registration fee, and request for biographical information.
- **May 1, 2020:** For accepted poets, deadline for \$45 Registration Fee payment, which includes one (1) copy of the limited edition 2020 Wickford Art Association Poetry & Art exhibit book. Fee may be paid with a credit card through PayPal online at [www.wickfordart.org](http://www.wickfordart.org) (Go to 2020 Exhibits: 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Poetry & Art) by credit card (call 401-294-6840), or by 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.
- **If you are unable to attend the opening on Friday- September 25, 2020** WAA will mail a copy of the book; please include an additional \$10 for postage (US only).



### How to Submit:

- Please review the Submission Guidelines above.
- Complete the fillable Registration Form for Poets and save to your computer.
- Attach the completed Registration Form for Poets along with your poetry documents; email to [wickford.poetryandart@gmail.com](mailto:wickford.poetryandart@gmail.com) by **April 1, 2020** (midnight); subject line must read: "Poetry Submission: (Your Name)," *for example:*  
Poetry Submission: Jane/John Smith
- Selected poets: entrants will be notified by April 17, 2020 via e-mail and will be invoiced for the \$45 Registration Fee (due May 1, 2020). Registration fee may be paid with a credit card through PayPal online at [www.wickfordart.org](http://www.wickfordart.org) (Go to 2020 Exhibits: 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Poetry & Art) by credit card (call 401-294-6840), or by 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.

### Questions:

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

### Agreements:

*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.*

We look forward to your participation in this exciting exhibit!

8<sup>th</sup> Annual Poetry & Art Committee

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