

<u>CALL TO ARTISTS</u>

The Artists of the Open Eye Gallery at Arundel Lodge invite you to join them in creating a collaboration artwork comprised of 45 paintings each measuring 12" x 12" to be shown in the exhibition "Connection" at Maryland Hall Earl Gallery in Annapolis Maryland June 2024. 25 paintings will be chosen in a juried competition from Maryland artists, and 20 paintings will be chosen from the Open Eye Gallery artists at Arundel Lodge. The paintings will be physically connected by hooks to symbolize the connection between the artists as well as the community. The opening reception will be Tuesday, June 4, 2024, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in the Earl Gallery.

Artists of the Open Eye Gallery (OEG) are Arundel Lodge clients living with mental health and substance use disorders. The art program and gallery are components of Arundel Lodge's Psychiatric Rehabilitation Program whose mission is to guide clients in a social, nurturing, and supportive atmosphere through providing opportunities for creative expression.

The art exhibition "CONNECTION" will focus on the amazing artwork created by the clients of The Open Eye Gallery at Arundel Lodge. The exhibit will also open a dialogue between local artists and the public about what it means to be an artist, the stigma surrounding mental health disorders and the value of art and creativity in mental wellness.

ENTRY GUIDELINES:

- **50 FREE 12" x 12" canvases to be given away, first come first served 1 per person.** Pick up at Maryland Hall information desk starting March 15, 2024. We ask that you plan on submitting your artwork to the juried competition if you take a complimentary canvas.
- Subject matter and media at the discretion of the artist.
- Work to be juried by the Gallery Director of Arundel Lodge Inc., Anita Hagan.
- No entry fee.
- Artwork must be on standard height canvas (approx. ½") and measure 12" x 12". Artwork should be submitted UNFRAMED.
- Artists must agree their art will be permeated with up to 8 small holes along the canvas edges for hooks to be attached. This is so the installation pieces can be connected.
- Maximum number of entries: 1 per artist
- Artists receive 65%, or may opt to donate their portion of proceeds to Arundel Lodge to benefit the art program.
- Maryland residents only.
- Work must meet exhibition guidelines to be included in the event. Arundel Lodge Inc. may determine artwork ineligible if entry guidelines are not followed. Work delivered must correspond with image submitted to the juror.

- Images of work made may be used at the sole discretion of Maryland Hall and Arundel Lodge Inc. for promotional purposes, including but not limited to – a catalog, website, social media, or a subscription year's prospectus. Images will include attribution when possible.
- Work cannot be withdrawn before the end of the exhibition.
- For additional information or questions, contact the Gallery Director, Anita Hagan at: <u>ahagan@arundellodge.org</u>.

OPEN RECEPTION AND SHOW DATES:

- Opening Reception: Tuesday, June 4, 2024, 5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Artists and their guests are encouraged to attend. Event is open to the public.
- Refreshments will be provided by Maryland Hall.
- The exhibition ends June 27, 2024.

EXHIBITION SCHEDULE:

- March 15, 2024 Entry Opens for Submissions
- April 30, 2024 Entry Deadline
- May 3, 2024 Notification for acceptance by 5 pm via email
- May 6 9, 2024 Hand-deliver accepted art to Arundel Lodge, 2600 Solomons Island Road, Edgewater MD, 21037 between 12 noon and 4 pm. <u>Do not ship</u>. No artwork will be received or returned via shipping.
- Tuesday, June 4, 2024, 5:30-7:00 pm Opening Reception for "Connections"
- June 26, 2024 Last day of the exhibition
- June 27-29, 2024 Pick up unsold work at Arundel Lodge between 12 noon and 4 pm

SUBMIT HERE:

https://arundellodge.org/art-gallery/