

2024 Main Gallery Schedule

ABOUT FACE

Artists are free to apply their own interpretation in representing the overall portrait theme. Artwork may include any work related to a single person, a group, self-portrait, non-human, and/or animals.

Entry Deadline: 2/6
Exhibit Run: 2/8-3/2

ARTISTIC CROSSROADS

Art inspired by diverse sources such as music, literature, film, dance, theater, and art history. Artists can explore musically influenced visual art, literary interpretations through images, cinematic translations in paintings, dance and movement captured on canvas, theatrical impressions through visual storytelling, art historical responses in contemporary works, poetic visualizations through evocative imagery, or cross-cultural explorations reflected in visual expressions. Artists are encouraged to explore the intersections between different art forms, creating a dynamic exhibition that celebrates the interconnectedness of creative expression.

Entry Deadline: 3/5
Exhibit Run: 3/7-4/13

SELF-ESTEEM YOUTH

Self-esteem is how we value and perceive ourselves. Creating art can validate the uniqueness of an individual, which gives rise to a sense of accomplishment and to feelings of self-worth. The arts have been shown to support a sense of social identity and can encourage goal-directed behavior, and enhance social resilience. Open to Downriver middle and high school students.

Entry Deadline: 4/23
Exhibit Run: 4/25-5/18

POCKET-SIZED

Miniature masterpieces! Artists can explore large scale themes with work that is miniature and intimate. The ability to provide overarching concepts at a small scale is most impressive of all. This exhibit accepts pieces 12" x 12" (including frame) or 12" in diameter at the largest, or better yet, able to fit in one's own pocket.

Entry Deadline: 5/21
Exhibit Run: 5/23-6/22

ANNUAL MEMBERS SHOW

Showcases works of our DCA members. Any artist who is a current DCA member or would like to become one is invited to show up to three pieces in any media or size. Any theme or medium is accepted.

Entry Deadline: 6/25
Exhibit Run: 6/27-8/3

TAKE TWO

Dive into the world of hidden treasures as artists generously breathe new life into those unsold masterpieces that have been patiently waiting for their moment in the spotlight. We encourage artists to submit these overlooked treasures at a discounted price, offering art enthusiasts an exclusive chance to acquire a piece of your creative legacy. More than an exhibit; it's a celebration of rediscovery and affordability. It's an opportunity for artwork to tell its story once more, and to connect with an audience eager to explore and appreciate the beauty within the artist's portfolio. Join us in transforming our gallery into a haven for artistic revival and let your creations shine anew.

Entry Deadline: 8/6
Exhibit Run: 8/8-9/7

RECOVERY & RESILIENCE

An art exhibit and storytelling event where participants share their path to recovery, how substance misuse impacted their lives and how they show their resilience.

Entry Deadline: 9/10
Exhibit Run: 9/12-9/26

FALL FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

Annual exhibit by the Creative Arts Society.

Entry Deadline: 9/28
Exhibit Run: 10/4-10/24

ARTSCAPE

Applicants working in the genre of landscape art are encouraged to submit work capturing their favorite places. Artwork should depict natural scenery, although it may include man-made structures, animals, people, or abstract concepts. Entries may include works done in-studio using photo reference and/or artwork done on-site. Artwork created on-site is also known as En Plein Air, a French term meaning "in the open air".

Entry Deadline: 10/29
Exhibit Run: 11/1-11/27

PLAYFUL PERSPECTIVES

This whimsical and delightful theme invites artists to explore the nostalgic and imaginative world of toys, childhood, and the joyous spirit of play. Artworks can capture the charm of toys, the innocence of childhood, and the pure delight derived from imaginative play. Artists might draw inspiration from classic toys, games, or the concept of make-believe, creating a visually enchanting and emotionally resonant experience for visitors of all ages.

Entry Deadline: 12/3
Exhibit Run: 12/5-1/11

