

President's Blurb

"I think I need to keep being creative, not to prove anything but because it makes me happy just to do it...I think trying to be creative, keeping busy, has a lot to do with keeping you alive."

- Willie Nelson

Just recently I was talking to a friend, a fellow artist, who mentioned he had a stash of material on hand that he could use to produce new creative work - art that is very unique and in his style. But, he just didn't feel like making art. He didn't know why, but he just wasn't in that mood. I told him, "you're in the funk". That's what I call it and I get it about once a year. The funk where I just don't feel like being creative or I believe I'm not creative enough or not original enough. And when it's really bad, I have the funkitis, and I think, "why am I doing this?".

So, if you're like me and the funk jumps you like an unsuspecting bout of doldrums, which I believe most creatives get from time to time, here's what you do to move through that wave of doubt. Forget about that innate need to produce. Forget that you are "expected" to be creative, original, different or extraordinary... because you are not "expected" to be. You just are. And, that's the joy of being an artist. So if and when the funk strikes, use this time to regroup -

It's ok to pause. But, just don't stop and smell the roses - stop and study the structure, the patterns, the texture and the form. Look at nature up close and you'll see some of the best examples of creativity to be had. Look all around you and before you know it, without thinking about it, the artist in you will be inspired.

Keep on being creative,

*Your President of your LAA,
Terry Palmer*

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And, other news to note - Don't forget to check out the LAA's new Sign! It's now up on our newly painted bright yellow wall (along with the metal paint brush) with the help of my twin brother and fellow member, Kerry Palmer. Soon the "paint splash" team will be adding the final touches of color and, I have to say it - pop! Stay tuned.



NEWS2NOTE:

- **1st SATURDAY ARTS MARKET: APRIL 3rd & MAY 1st**
10am-3pm
- **Artwalk: 4/10**
- **Gallery Closed 4/2 Good Friday**
- **Easter: 4/4**
- **Earth Day: 4/22**
- **Freeze Frame: Pick up work 3/31-4/1: Noon-5pm & Sat, 4/3: 10am-2pm**
- **BOARD MEETING: 4/29 @ 5:30**
- **Newsletter Deadline: 4/27**
- **APRIL Mini Workshops:**
4/10 **Funky Fish with Trish Ransom 10am-3pm**
4/17 **Geli Plate Prints Intro with Dusty Reed, 10am-4pm**
4/21 **Mosaic House Numbers with Ginger Kelly, 10am-4pm**
4/24 **Encaustic Tapestries with Bonnie Camos, 10am-4pm**

Kids Are Artists Too!



4/21-5/2

Submissions: 4/7-4/17













Awards Reception:

Sun, May 2, 2-4pm

More info and registration form at end of this newsletter and online.



LA Art & about

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28 Palm Sunday LAA Gallery Hours: Open: Wed, Thurs & Fri Noon to 5pm Saturdays, 10am -2pm CLOSED: Sun, Mon & Tues	29 Main Gallery: Freeze Frame thru 3/13 Kids R Artists 2, 4/21-5/2 • Awards Reception 5/2	30	31 Bonnie Camos	1 Sharon Brotherton	2 Gallery will be CLOSED for GOOD FRIDAY	3 Dusty Reed First Saturday Arts Market 10am-3pm
FREEZE FRAME: Pick up work from exhibit thru 4/3						
4 	5 The Foyer: Cececlia Hoyt, Watercolors thru 4/28 Laf Main Library: Thru April: Nicole Dalquist & Herb Roe 3rd floor; Deana Evsteeva Landry, 2nd floor	6 	7 Bonnie Camos 	8 Sharon Brotherton	9 Margo Baker	10 Dusty Reed ARTWALK  Mini Workshop Funky Fish with Trish Ransom 10-3pm
SUBMIT KIDS R ARTISTS TOO: 4/7-4/10 & 4/14-4/17						
11	12 Vermillionville: Now Thru 6/28 Karen Bordelon Where the West Began LCG: 4/12-6/30 Latayette Photographic Society's What a Wonderful World	13	14 Bonnie Camos 	15 Sharon Brotherton	16 Margo Baker 	17  Mini Workshop Intro to Gel Plate Printing with Dusty Reed 10am-4pm
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KIDS R ARTISTS TOO Exhibit: 4/21-5/2						
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MARK YOUR APRIL CALENDARS:
Kids Are Artists Too Awards: 5/2; SUBMIT for Members Spring Show: 5/5-5/15 (run date: 5/19-7/10)
May Mini Workshops: Alcohol Ink Mother's Day Plates • Tues, 5/4 • 10am -4pm & Intro to Origami • Sat, 5/15 • 1-4pm



Margo Baker,
Mixed Media

First Saturday Arts Market

LAFAYETTE ART ASSOCIATION

10am-3pm
Saturday, April 3rd

It's a Spring Fling at the LAA this Saturday! Get your last minute Easter shopping done at our indoor and outdoor arts market! Visit with the artists, watch them demo, and buy local art...all in one spot! **Featured Artists: Christy Castille (Tatting), Nicole Dahlquist (Alcohol Inks), Heather Twichell (Jewelry), Susan Chiquelin (Basketry), Margo Baker (Mixed Media) and Dusty Reed (2&3D Mixed Media).**

Just look for the Yellow Building with the big Paint Brush!
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Dusty Reed, 2&3D
Mixed Media



Heather Twichell
Jewelry



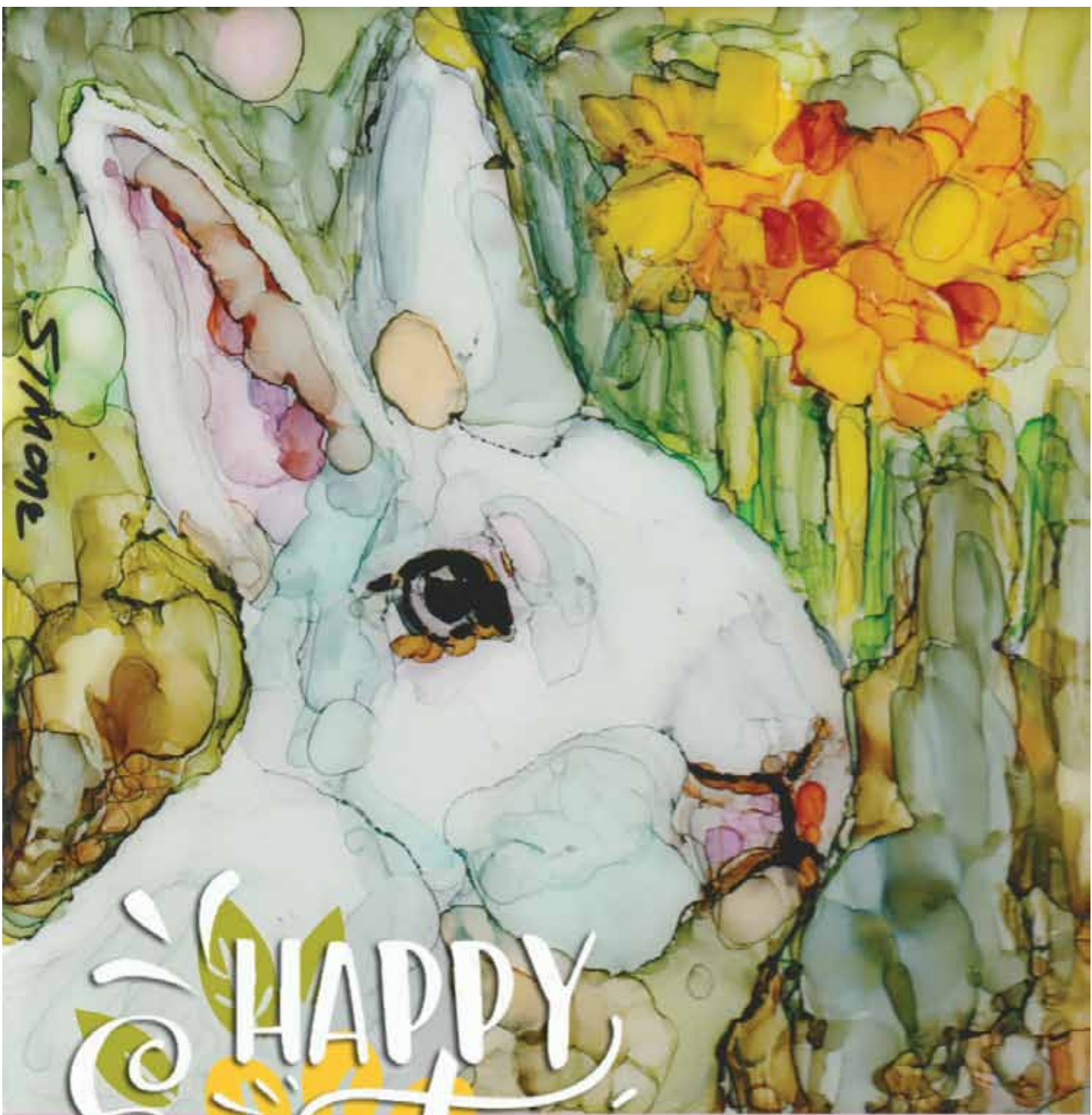
Susan Chiquelin, Basket
Weaving & Ceramics



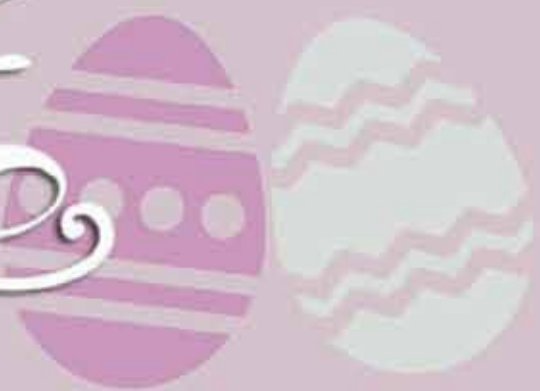
Christy Castille
Tatting



Nicole Dalquist
Alcohol Inks



HAPPY
Easter
Y'ALL!



6 Week Watercolor Session at the LAA with Tom Powers Starting April 8th

Thursdays 1:30 to 3:30

If interested and for more info, **text** 337-280-4127 or email Tom Powers at tompow1008@yahoo.com.

Terrebonne Fine Arts Guild Fundraiser Watercolor Workshop:

Margaret Chouest will give a workshop titled "Watercolor: My Favorite Traveling and Sketching Medium" on April 26th from 10am to 4pm. A supply list will be available soon. Registration fees are \$25 for active members, \$35 for friend members and \$50 for non-members. The workshop will be limited to a maximum of 9 participants to maintain proper social distancing. To register, phone Margaret at 912-313-8936 or margaretbchouest@yahoo.com.

Crowley Art Association's 32nd Annual Rice Capital Juried Art Competition

Exhibit: July 2-July 30

Submit forms, fees and artwork: June 14-June 25, 10am-3pm at the Crowley Art Gallery, 411 N. Parker-son Ave in Crowley.

Awards Gala: 7/2 6-8pm

Cash awards (\$25-\$300) and ribbons. For more information and to get forms, call (337) 514-5114 or [facebook.com/CrowleyArtAssociation/](https://www.facebook.com/CrowleyArtAssociation/) (Copy of entry form at LAA office).





LAA Mini Workshop: Debris Collage Art - *FUNky Fish!*

with Recycled Materials Artist **Trish Ransom**
Saturday, April 10th • 10am-3pm
\$55 Members | \$60 Non Members



Create a painted wood background using various techniques for pattern and texture. Then, with assorted *debris*, like bottlecaps for fish scales, assemble a whimsical fish using common hand tools. Re-think, re-use, and re-purpose...upcycle stuff into art instead of trashing! All materials and tools needed for workshop provided. *Save your old Mardi Gras cups and throws if you want to create a Mardi Gras fish!* Perfect for Kids (ages 10+) and the Kid in you! Break for lunch. Covid Protocols will be followed, and masks must be worn. Max class size: 10 participants.

For more info/to register:
Text Simone at 337-207-3210
or email
spalmer1@cox-internet.com



Registration/payment deadline: 4/5

LAFAYETTE ART ASSOCIATION & GALLERY



LAA Mini Workshop: Intro to Gel Plate Printing

with **Dusty Reed**
Sat., April 17th 10am-4pm
\$45 LAA Members | \$55 Non Members



You'll learn many gel plate techniques, including transferring, layering, stamping, and more. Use a variety of paper and found objects to create unique works and backgrounds - perfect for mixed media art, card making, and journaling. Composition and collage techniques will also be discussed. You'll also be able to sign up for Dusty's Advanced Gel Plate Workshop with a focus on creating stand alone, dimensional collages and assemblages using your gel prints. Covid protocols observed, masks required during attendance. All supplies included. Break for lunch.

Max 8 participants • Registration deadline: 4/14/21

For more info/to register:
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LAFAYETTE ART ASSOCIATION & GALLERY

Congrats to:

Dusty Reed for his article on page 79 in the March/April issue of *008 Magazine*. Out on the stands now, pick up your copy and read his interview - we're so proud of you Dusty!

<http://008magazine.com/printissue/printissue.html#p=79>

Applications Open for the LDOA Individual Artist Relief Grant

Deadline: April 16, 2021

The purpose of this grant is to provide relief directly to individual LA Artists impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic or other natural disasters that affected our state in 2020. The Louisiana Division of the Arts (LDOA) is partnering with 9 Regional Arts Councils throughout the state to administer these grants. Grant award amounts will be up to \$1,500 each. Funds are limited and will be awarded to eligible applicants up until funding capacity is reached in each region. Eligible artists must be a LA resident and 18+ years old. Artists will be asked to demonstrate their artistic practice with a professional website/social media, resume or CV, and/or examples of their work and to describe the financial impact the pandemic/natural disasters had on them and their practice. Selected artists will need to provide identification, proof of residency, and a W-9. <https://culturaldevelopmentstateoflouisiana.submittable.com/submit>





LAA Mini Workshop: Glass Mosaics - Let's Jazz Up Your House Numbers!

with Ginger Kelly
Wed., April 21st 10am-5pm
\$75 LAA Members | \$85 Non Members

Make your house numbers sing with a bright colored glass mosaic and metal numbers. All materials and wood frame supplied. Participants must provide 4" metal address numbers. Details on suitable numbers to purchase provided upon registration. **No experience needed.** Covid protocols observed, masks required during attendance. Break for lunch.

Maximum 10 participants
Registration deadline: 4/14/21

For more info/to register:
Text Simone at 337-207-3210 or email spalmer1@cox-internet.com



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LAA Mini Workshop: Encaustic Tapestries

With Bonnie Camos
Saturday, April 24th
10-4pm • Max 7 Participants
\$70/Member • \$80/Non Member

Create a fantastic encaustic tapestry, (even a triptych). Tell a story with detailed images or choose abstract, loose designs. Bonnie will show you how to think "outside of the box" with large sheets for your encaustic ideas. Finish off your paper scrolls with wooden slats - perfect to hang on that bare wall! ALL skill levels welcome. All materials included. Covid protocols observed, masks required.

To register: Email BOTH spalmer1@cox-internet.com and info@lafayetteart.org OR Text Simone at 337-207-3210
REGISTER TODAY!
DEADLINE April 21st



LAFAYETTE ART ASSOCIATION & GALLERY



A few Photos from the March Mini Workshops at the LAA

Nicole Dalquist's Alcohol Ink Mini Workshop on Saturday, 3/13 was one of three in March. Six participants created a set of tiles using alcohol ink techniques. I attended this workshop and immediately ordered my own alcohol markers when I got home! Loved the prints we made. And, Margaret, your rose was beautiful!



LAA Mini Workshop: Intro to Origami



with Tshy Cross
Saturday, May 15th 1-4pm
\$40/Member • \$45/Non Member

Origami, the art of paper-folding, though most closely tied to Japan, also has roots in China and Europe. Traditional origami consists of folding a single sheet of square paper into a three-dimensional sculpture without cutting, gluing, or taping. This workshop will cover the basic concepts you need to start making your own origami creations. Tshy will guide you step-by-step through understanding origami symbols and folding techniques to create 8 traditional origami masterpieces you'll take home. All materials will be provided for you. Max class size: 12 participants. Covid Protocols will be followed, and masks must be worn.



Registration deadline:
May 7th



For more info/to register:
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& GALLERY

Susan Chiqulein's Easter Basket Weaving Mini Workshop on Saturday, 3/27 was also attended by six participants: The Long family-Kelly, Beatrice and Army; plus Julie LaFleur and Anne and Rick Herman. I will definitely have to take Susan's next class - these baskets look awesome!



Closing words

"One doesn't discover new lands without consenting to lose sight of the shore for a very long time." Andre Gide

LAA 2021 Calendar • Main Gallery Events

Event	Chair person	Run Dates	Submit	Jury	Hang	Judge	Reception	PickUp
1. Freeze Frame	Mickey Delcambre	1/20 - 3/20 (9 wks)	1/6 - 1/16	1/17-18	1/19	1/20-1/23	Feb 6	3/24-4/3
2. Kids Are Artists 2	Margo Baker (Bonnie Camos)	April 21-May 2 (2 wks)	4/7-4/17	N/A	Ongoing	4/18	May 2	5/2
3. Spring Show	Terry & Simone Palmer	5/19-7/10 (8 wks) May 19-July 10	5/5-5/15	5/16-17	5/18	Member Vote 5/19-6/12	Open House/ Voting June 5	7/15-7/24
4. Eye of Beholder	Susan Chiquelin	7/28-9/18 (8 wks) July 28-Sept 18	7/15-7/24	7/25-26	7/27	7/28-7/31	Aug 7	9/23-10/2
5. Fall Show	Dusty Reed	10/6-11/20 (7 wks) Oct 6 - Nov 20	9/23-10/2	10/3-10/4	10/5	Member Vote 10/6-10/30	Open House Nov 6	11/29-12/3
6. Xmas Market	Dusty Reed	12/4-12/23 (3 wks)	11/29-12/	N/A	12/3	N/A	N/A	12/24
7. Open Studio	Dusty Reed	Fall/TBA weekend/2 days		N/A		N/A	N/A	
8. 1st Saturday Arts Market	Dusty Reed	Tentative Dates: 2/6 • 3/6 • 4/3 • 5/1 • 6/5 • 7/3 • 8/7 • 9/4 • 10/2 • 11/6 • 12/4						
2021 CLOSED DATES: April 2 (Good Friday); Nov 24, 25 & 26 (Thanksgiving); Dec 25-Jan 4 (Xmas Holidays)								

Since COVID is still a major concern, event receptions have been moved to the nearest 1st Saturday Market date as co-Open House Events in order to attract more members/visitors.

34th Annual
Youth Art
Competition
& Exhibit

Kids Are Artists Too!



April 21st - May 2nd

SUBMIT ARTWORK: April 7th to 17th One entry per artist - No Entry Fee
Monday thru Wednesday, April 7-9 & 14-16: Noon-5pm; Saturday, April 10 & 17: 10am- 5pm.
No submissions accepted after 5pm on 4/17. Entry forms, labels and parental consent forms are available at the LAA and at sign-in or can be emailed upon request.

CATEGORIES: 2 Dimensional (2-D) and 3 Dimensional (3-D)

AGE GROUPS: Pre-K to kindergarten, 1st-2nd grade, 3rd-4th, 5th-6th, and 7th-8th grade

AWARDS: 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place in each age group and category

**Participant must be present at awards reception to receive merchant's gift/prizes.*

RULES of PRESENTATION:

- 2-Dimensional entries: (paintings, drawings, photos) are to be hung and must be presented either as:
1. Canvas with a wire on back ready to hang; 2. Frame with a wire on back ready to hang;
3. Mounted or glued on to plain, black construction paper; or 4. Matted with cardboard backing
- **Both 2-D and 3-D artwork must be labeled with an "Artwork Identification Form" (found at bottom of Registration Form).** 2-D Art must also be labeled on the backside. 3-D art (free-standing such as sculpture) must be labeled at bottom.

AWARDS RECEPTION: Sunday, May 2nd, 2-4pm

Artists are asked to pick up their artwork immediately after the reception (also end of exhibit), along with their ribbons, certificates of participation and prizes.

All artwork not picked up by May 29th, 2021 will become the property of LAA.

For more information contact: LAA at 337-269-0683

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Kids Are Artists Too!
Annual Youth Art Competition
Exhibit Dates: April 21-May 2, 2021



Registration Form

SUBMIT: April 7-9 & 14-16 • noon - 5pm; Sat., April 10 & 17 • 10am - 5pm

Each artist may submit only (1) entry. Artwork must be labeled on the backside or bottom (for free-standing art) with the “**Artwork Identification Form**” below. Deliver artwork and completed registration form to the Lafayette Art Association at 1008 E St. Mary Blvd, Lafayette. For more info: 337-269-0363 or email info@lafayetteart.org. No artwork will be accepted after 5pm on April 17th.

ARTIST’S NAME: _____

SCHOOL: _____ AGE if not in school: _____

GRADE LEVEL: (circle) Pre K - Kindergarten 1st - 2nd 3rd - 4th 5th - 6th 7th - 8th

PARENT/PERSON CHECKING IN ARTWORK:

PLEASE PRINT NAME

PLEASE SIGN HERE

CONTACT PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

TITLE OF ARTWORK: _____

PRIMARY MEDIA: _____ CATEGORY: 2D _____ 3D _____

2 DIMENSIONAL ART (2D) EXAMPLE: CRAYON, PENCIL, INK, WATERCOLOR, PHOTOGRAPY, or MIXED MEDIA

3 DIMENSIONAL ART (3D) EXAMPLE: CLAY, METAL, PAPER MACHE, SCULPTURES, or TEXTILE ART

DATE OF DROP-OFF: _____ ACCEPTED BY: _____ NUMBER: _____

CUT HERE & ATTACH FORM
BELOW TO BACK of ARTWORK

Artwork Identification Form

ARTIST’S NAME: _____

TITLE OF ARTWORK: _____

PRIMARY MEDIA: _____ CATEGORY: 2D _____ 3D _____

PARENT/PERSON CHECKING IN ARTWORK: _____

CONTACT PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

SCHOOL: _____ AGE if not in school: _____

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