

# 8<sup>th</sup> Annual **A Small Wonder Gift Shop**

October 29-December 17, 2021

Contemporary Art Center of Peoria | Gallery 3R

## Call To Artists

***Seeking small sized work for an exhibit turned gift shop organized in the Contemporary Art Center's Gallery 3R, the 3rd floor gallery.***

- Quantity:** 1-2 pieces from 2-D artists and 2-4 pieces from 3-D artists. There is no limit on jewelry, wearable items and holiday ornaments that will be displayed on a trees that CAC provides. All media is acceptable. Everything must be for sale.
- Criteria:** The work must be approximately 160 square inches or smaller. Some examples could be 10" x 16", 12" x 12" or 6" x 25". Size requirements can be determined by multiplying two of the longest dimensions. Any item that can be folded to fit within 160 square inches is acceptable.
- Display:** Pedestals and some displays are provided, but if you have a display that will best show off the work, especially in the case of jewelry, bring it with identification on the bottom or back. CAC will set up 2-5 small Christmas trees for ornaments.
- Eligibility:** The exhibition is open to all artists in Central Illinois. Artists are not required to be members of the Contemporary Art Center of Peoria. Items must be delivered and picked up by artists.
- Subject Matter:** Work does not have to be holiday themed. While there is no restriction on price, it will be marketed as a gift shop appealing to holiday gift giving, so lower prices will be more desirable.
- Media:** Only original two or three-dimensional artworks of various media or will be accepted. No reproductions are allowed.
- Condition:** All work accepted for the exhibition must arrive ready to install. Works not ready for display, with poor craftsmanship or presentation, may not be exhibited. Artworks that are intended to hang on a wall must be ready for hanging. Wire is preferred on the back of 2-D work for the wall. Unstable 3-D works will not be exhibited. Identification Tag *must* accompany / be attached to artwork.
- Registration:** Submit your items using the **Exhibitor Registration Form** on [www.peoriacac.org](http://www.peoriacac.org) via the [A Small Wonder Gift Shop Registration Form - Contemporary Art Center of Peoria \(peoriacac.org\)](http://www.peoriacac.org) Contact Contemporary Art Center staff if there are obstacles/questions to submitting online. If you have multiple items like ornaments, only one entry is needed; provide a general size, price range and quantity, if applicable.
- Identification** Each identification tag can be filled out online and printed out to accompany / attached

- Tag:** to artwork when dropped off. A tag may also be filled out manually if artists deliver art to the Contemporary Art Center. This does not apply to multiple items like hats or ornaments.
- Delivery:** General drop hours are Tuesday-Saturday 11-5:00 on October 19-23 and 26-28, and until 6:00 on October 19, 22, 23 and 26.
- Promotion:** ***A Small Wonder Gift Shop*** October 29-December 17, Gallery 3R A *small wonder* means small work from local artists and that means work priced for holiday gifts! Gallery 3R is turned into a gift shop for small works of art. Just like a gift shop, buyers may take home the item at the time of purchase. Shop early for the art lover in your life. Glass, ceramics, paintings, sculpture, jewelry, original prints and lots more will be on display.
- Viewing Hours:** Besides regular business hours: Tuesday-Saturday 11-5:00, we are open late until 9:00pm during events (*First Friday, Live at the Five Spot*) and at the combined art reception on Saturday, November 6, 6:30-8:30pm. The Contemporary Art Center is located at 305 SW Water Street, Peoria, IL 61602. Call or text 309-674-6822 or email at [cac@peoriacac.org](mailto:cac@peoriacac.org) with questions for more information
- Reception:** An art reception will be offered to the public Saturday, November 6, 6:30-8:30pm will feature live music, the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor exhibiting artists as well as those participating in *A Small Wonder Gift Shop*. There is no charge to attend the reception. Guests may bring their own refreshments if desired, but these may not be shared with others. Due to COVID restrictions, refreshments may not be provided at the receptions. Guests are required to wear a mask the entire time and remain 6 feet apart from others. The ability to have an opening reception and for the facility to be open is determined by Restore Illinois Mitigation Guidelines.
- Sales:** The Contemporary Art Center will handle all sales and take 30% commission. Sales are eligible for CAC membership discount and can be accommodated via any form of payment. Artists will receive commissions checks within 30 days at the conclusion of the exhibit. To encourage the idea of gift giving and the urgency to buy, patrons will be able to take the work with them at the time of the purchase. So, it is possible that the exhibit will diminish throughout the duration. Since this is not typical of a gallery sale, be prepared to point this out to possible patrons to encourage them to not delay in visiting the gallery to make their selections.
- Insurance:** Once items have been checked in with staff, they are insured for 70% of their retail value.
- Artwork Retrieval:** Unsold items may be picked up on Saturday, December 18, 11-5:00 or the following week of December 21-23 or 28-30 at Contemporary Art Center.
- Questions:** Contact William or Darlene at the Contemporary Art Center of Peoria via [cac@peoriacac.org](mailto:cac@peoriacac.org) or 309-674-6822 during business hours, Tuesday-Saturday 11-5:00