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August 30-September 26, 2024

**Contemporary Art Center of Peoria's Artist Member Group Exhibition
at Studios on Sheridan, 929 N. Sheridan Rd., Peoria, Illinois**

Exhibition Prospectus (two pages)

- Eligibility:** The exhibition is open to all artists currently enrolled in an Artist Membership level of \$50 or higher with the Contemporary Art Center of Peoria. There is no additional fee except for a current membership.
- Entries:** Since exhibition space is limited, exhibitors are limited to one entry per artist. Each artist chooses what to enter. Entries are not chosen via a jury process. Artwork must have been created in the last three years and not been displayed at a prior CAC Artist Membership Group Exhibit. Artwork that is for sale is preferred.
- Subject Matter:** Subject matter for this exhibition is left to the discretion of the artist. Host gallery staff and owners may choose to reject work based on their own criteria.
- Media:** Only original two or three-dimensional artworks of various media will be accepted. Reproductions are not allowed. Video artists must bring their own equipment.
- 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. Wire is preferred on the back of artworks intended to hang on a wall. Unstable 3-D works will not be exhibited. Identification Tag *must* accompany / be attached to artwork.
- Insurance:** While the owners of Studios on Sheridan do not provide insurance for art while on the premises, they take reasonable care to protect the work. Therefore, artists exhibit at their own risk.
- Judge for Awards:** A qualified judge will select ribbons and monetary prizes for the award categories listed below. The judge will choose from the works entered by participating artists. Judging may begin as early as 11:00, August 29. Ribbons will be displayed by 5:00 on Friday, September 6.
- Awards:** Best of Show: \$200 + ribbon, 1st Place: \$100 + ribbon, 2nd Place: \$75 + ribbon, 3rd Place: \$50 + ribbon, Honorable Mention: ribbon
- Online Registration:** An **Exhibitor Registration Form** must be digitally submitted on www.peoriacac.org via <https://peoriacac.org/registration-form/>. This link and all information can also be located on the website under 'Upcoming Exhibits'. Registration for group exhibits is now by digital means only. Contact Contemporary Art Center staff if there are obstacles to submitting online.
- Registration Deadline:** **August 23** - All online registrations must be submitted online no later than Friday, August 23 by midnight.

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Identification Tag: Each identification tag can be filled in online and printed out to accompany / attached to artwork when dropped off. A tag may also be filled out manually if artists deliver art to the Contemporary Art Center.

Delivery Option #1: **CAC staff/volunteers deliver artwork to the venue.** All submissions requiring courier service to Studios on Sheridan must be delivered to the Contemporary Art Center of Peoria no later than Saturday, August 24. The following are optional drop off dates / times: August 15 (11-8:00), August 16 (11-8:00), August 17 (11-5:00), August 20 (11-7:00), August 21 & 22 (11-5:00), August 23 (11-8:00), August 24 (11-5:00). Contact Contemporary Art Center staff for alternate drop off times. **Please package and protect the artwork with stacking in a car and transport in mind. Provide packaging that can be easily reused for delivery back to CAC at the conclusion of the exhibit.**

Delivery Option #2: **Artists deliver directly to the gallery of Studios on Sheridan, noon-5:00 by August 28.** Note that no staff or volunteers will be there to receive the art. All artwork must be at Studios on Sheridan in the gallery by 5:00pm on Wednesday, August 28. Late deliveries may be rejected. An identification tag *must* accompany / be attached to artwork.

Displaying the work: **August 28** – We will begin hanging and displaying the artwork starting at 6:00pm Wednesday, August 28. Volunteers to help unpack and display the art are needed. Please let CAC staff know if you are interested in helping.

Viewing Hours: Regular viewing hours are Wednesday - Saturday, noon-5:00pm throughout the duration of the exhibit. There is no charge for admission to view the exhibit.

Sales: The Contemporary Art Center will handle all sales and take 30% commission. Sales are eligible for CAC membership discounts and can be accommodated via any form of payment. Studios on Sheridan takes no commission on sales.

1st Friday and Closing Reception: Contemporary Art Center of Peoria and Studios on Sheridan will celebrate all participating artists with two evening viewing opportunities. The public is welcome to view the art exhibit during **1st Fridays** 5-9:00pm on September 6. There will be no programming that evening.

The public is also invited to the **Closing Reception** on Thursday, September 26, 6-8:00pm. So that all visitors and participating artists have a chance to see the exhibit, artwork may NOT be removed until 8:00pm at the conclusion of the closing event. There is no charge to attend the 1st Friday event or the closing reception.

Artwork Retrieval: Artwork may be picked up at Studios on Sheridan on Thursday, September 26, starting at 8:00pm at the conclusion of the closing reception or on the following days at Contemporary Art Center: Friday, September 27 (11-8:00) and Saturday, September 28 (11-5:00). Contact Contemporary Art Center staff for alternate retrieval times.

Questions: Contact William or Darlene at the Contemporary Art Center of Peoria via cac@peoriacac.org or call or text 309-674-6822 during business hours, Tuesday-Saturday 11-5:00.