

ENTRY FORM

This Entry Form MUST also be completed in full and firmly fixed to the back of the artwork.

Entries that are not suitably labeled will not be displayed in the exhibition.

Note: Each entry will need to have an entry form, so if submitting more than one entry, please duplicate this form and attach to the second entry.

Name*: _____ Age: _____

*If you do not want your full name released, how would you like to be identified:

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Home Ph: _____ Work Ph: _____

Mobile: _____ Email: _____

Title of piece: _____

Medium: _____

*If you need assistance with framing your artwork, your piece must be
9" x 11" (contact hopeinalexandria@gmail.com)

Size: Width ____ Height ____ *Assistance needed for display: Yes No

Background Inspiration for this artwork (Limit 1-2 sentences):

Do you give permission for your artwork to be reproduced for any of the following:

Is this art piece available to the media for promotion of this exhibition? Yes No

As a notecard to be sold for the benefit of Friends of the Alexandria Mental Health Center, a local non-profit 501©3 that provides support for individuals receiving mental health services from the Alexandria Department of Community and Human Services. Can your images be used on these notecards?

Yes No

A video might be made which will highlight the 2014 Art Uniting People traveling exhibition and used for educational presentations and/or for placement on the Anti-Stigma HOPE Campaign website. Can your images be used in the video?

Yes No

This event is hosted by community volunteers. Would you be interested in volunteering to help with hanging and de-installing the art pieces or the opening reception?

Yes No



CELEBRATING RECOVERY,
CREATIVITY AND MENTAL HEALTH



Friends
of the Alexandria
Mental Health Center



Department of Community and Human Services
Department of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities

The Anti-Stigma HOPE Campaign of the Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria is a group of Alexandria volunteers working to eliminate the fear, lack of understanding and stigma against those who have a mental illness, developmental disability or addiction; to promote the fact that recovery is real and possible; and that those dealing with these chronic conditions have a right to a full life in the community

“Art Uniting People – A Celebration of Recovery, Creativity and Mental Health” exhibition is presented and sponsored by the Anti-Stigma HOPE Campaign each spring during National Mental Health Month. This exhibition is held to reduce stigma and foster understanding. It is an art exhibition dedicated to making a difference. It seeks to engage the Alexandria community in a conversation about each person’s uniqueness and the commonality we all share.

Artists whose lives have been affected by mental illness, addiction, developmental and intellectual disorders are invited to participate. Artists may enter two 2-dimensional works of art (for example: oils, chalk, acrylic, watercolors, photography, poems, collages, mixed media, and digital photography). Artists are also invited to share the inspiration behind their art pieces and some of their personal story to create a powerful and unique viewing experience for visitors to the exhibition.

Eligibility Criteria

The exhibit is open to anyone whose life has been affected by mental illness, addiction, or intellectual disabilities whether you have been diagnosed from one of these conditions or whether you know or care for someone who does. We encourage EVERYONE to submit a piece for this exhibit. We have financial assistance available to help frame your piece if you face financial difficulties.**

Entering Your Art Pieces

Ready to Hang

All art pieces MUST be suitably finished and ready to hang, with screw eyes and wires firmly attached.**

- ▶ Stretched canvas does not need to be framed.
- ▶ Works on board (e.g. oil, acrylic) need to be framed or suitably finished.
- ▶ Works on paper (e.g. watercolor, pastel, graphite, etc.) must be matted and able to be mounted.
- ▶ Paintings should arrive complete with hanging fixtures already attached (secure cord, NO HOOKS with screw eyes and wires firmly attached). No taped or clip style frames are allowed.
- ▶ A limited amount of frames are available. If you wish to have the art framed, the art piece must be 9” x 11”. Pieces larger or smaller than that size must be submitted framed and ready to hang.

** If an artist needs assistance in advance of submitting their work, please contact artunitingpeople@gmail.com.

Entry Forms

Artist must complete an entry form for each piece of art submitted. The entry form should include media and dimension information. Please print clearly. The information needs to be legible and accurate, including your email address.

Number of Art Pieces

Artists are encouraged to submit up to two pieces of 2 dimensional original work.

Selection of Art for Exhibitions

Every effort will be made to exhibit all suitably finished art pieces, however, should space limitations occur, a committee of peer artists will choose which art pieces will be exhibited.

Every attempt will be made to have all art pieces; submitted to be on display on opening night, even if the piece is not selected for the traveling exhibition. Pieces not selected for the traveling exhibition may be taken home after opening night. Those chosen for the traveling exhibition will be on exhibit at various sites through July 2015.

Late Collections

Unless prior arrangements have been made, art pieces not collected within 14 days of being taken down from the last exhibition at the Durant Center will become the property of the Community Services Board and will be used as deemed appropriate.

Timeline - Important Dates

Friday, April 25, 5pm, Return of Entry Form:

Entry Forms are included in this pack. Please fill in ALL details on the form and return it. The form can be filled out electronically and emailed to: artunitingpeople@gmail.com downloaded from www.HealthierAlexandria.com/antistigma.

Otherwise it can be submitted via mail **NO LATER** than **Friday, April, 25, 2014** to:

Project Manager, Art Uniting People
Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria
4480 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22302
Artunitingpeople@gmail.com

Friday, April 25, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Delivery to the Department of Community and Human Services, 2525 Mt. Vernon Avenue (Mt. Ida Entrance), Alexandria, VA:

Art Pieces must be dropped off to the Department of Community and Human Services. All pieces **MUST** have the entry form attached, even if it has been submitted electronically.

Tuesday, April 29, Jurying for the traveling exhibition.

Friday, May 2, Hanging of exhibition

Wednesday, May 7, 5 p.m. – 8 p.m. Opening reception, The Gallery at Convergence, 1801 N. Quaker Lane, Alexandria, VA.

All pieces submitted will be displayed at the opening reception on Wednesday, May 7th from 5-8 pm. If your piece is not chosen for the traveling exhibition, then we ask that you plan to collect it that evening after the reception.

Exhibition dates

May 2 – June 13, 2014 Art pieces will be displayed at The Gallery @ Convergence Art Center, 1801 N. Quaker Lane, Alexandria, VA

June 16 – November 24, 2014 A second exhibition will be held at the Lee Center, 1108 Jefferson Street, Alexandria, VA

November 24, 2014 – July 6, 2015 A third exhibition will be held at the Durant Arts Center, 1605 Cameron Street, Alexandria, VA

Opening reception

The opening reception is planned for **Wednesday, May 7th, 2014, from 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.** at The Gallery at Convergence, 1801 N. Quaker Lane, Alexandria, VA. Invitations will be sent out to exhibiting artists. Your family and friends are all welcome

Important:

Please note that art pieces can **ONLY** be delivered and collected within the times and on the dates listed. Late deliveries will not be exhibited. Early pick up will be strongly discouraged. Entry Form – DUE Friday, April 25, 2014, 5 p.m.