



CACL Introduces a Pan Canadian Art Exhibition – Artists First!

The Canadian Association for Community Living (CACL), in collaboration with the **Association pour l'intégration sociale d'Ottawa (AISO)** and the **Ottawa School of Art** will be holding a Pan Canadian Art exhibition during the 50th Anniversary Conference of the Canadian Association for Community Living, **November 18-21, 2008** in Ottawa. The opening of the exhibition will be held on November 20, 2008 to present the works of art to the conference participants and to the public.

Purpose/Objective for the Exhibition

The Association pour l'intégration sociale d'Ottawa (AISO) and the Ottawa School of Art have presented very successful art exhibitions for the last four years, where artists with intellectual disabilities have been given the opportunity to showcase their work in a professional artistic setting for the local Ottawa community. In celebration of its 50th anniversary, the Canadian Association for Community Living wanted to expand this show in 2008 by giving artists with intellectual disabilities from across the country the same opportunity. This exhibition will give these artists the chance to share their experiences to a broader national and internationally audience.

We invite Canadian citizens with intellectual disabilities to submit their artwork for this exhibition. For some artists this may be their first public presentation at such a cultural event. The exhibition is open to artists using any medium (drawing, painting, sculpture, etc.) and any style (realistic, abstract, etc...). Members of CACL's Provincial and Territorial associations, and People First groups may also submit work. In addition we welcome work by other artists who have been touched by intellectual disability in some way or another.

Conditions for Exhibiting Works of Art

Upon submission of a proposal, if an artist wishes to have the documents and any other supporting material returned to him/her, he/she must include a prepaid envelope with the original proposal.

CACL and its partners for the art exhibition do not assume any responsibility for damages that may occur to submitted materials or for their loss during handling by Canada Post or any other courier service.

The artists will assume responsibility for the shipment (along with the insurance, if desired) for the works of art to and from the Ottawa School of Art and the Association pour l'intégration sociale d'Ottawa.

CACL will not cover the travel costs for the artists selected and who may wish to be present at the exhibition. No monetary payment will be offered to the selected artists for this event.

Selection of the Works of Art

A national selection committee comprised of artists recognized by the community, CACL representatives from Saskatchewan, Yukon and Ontario, as well as a representative of the Ottawa School of Art will meet after receiving the proposals to identify the works for the 2008 Exhibition. The selection committee will meet within three weeks after the closing date of the submission of proposals. The artists selected for the exhibition will be contacted in writing during the first week of October, 2008.

Submission Criteria for Artistic Proposals

Any artist may submit his/her proposals in accordance with the following submission criteria:

- Proposals for maximum of three pieces by each artist may be submitted.
- Each proposal must include a photographic image of the work of art preferably in electronic format (CD/DVD). Movies, videos and slide shows will not be accepted for this exhibition.
- The photographs shall have a resolution of at least 150 dpi.
- The size of the work shall not exceed 60 x 90 centimeters.
- The piece shall have a title, signature of the artist and the year it was created.
- Each piece must be accompanied by a short biography of each artist outlining his/her life and artistic career, not to exceed 250 words.
- Proposals must include completed submission and permission forms (attached) by all artists authorizing CACL and its partners to use photographs of the works of art to promote the exhibition or for any other communication after the event.
- **Photographs of the works of art may be sent to the following email address: artselectioncommittee@cacl.ca or mailed in the form of a CD to the CACL address on the next page.**
- **The submission deadline is Friday, September 19, 2008 at 12:00 noon.**

Please send by mail or courier to:

Selection Committee
C/o Doris Rajan
Canadian Association for Community Living
Works of Art Exhibition 2008
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