



ART IN CITY HALL
“Inside the Beltway”
Call to Artists
October 22, 2012 – April 19, 2013

Christopher Crum, Confederate Memorial
Alexandria Commission for the Arts Award
Spring 2011 “Around Town”

The Art League and the **City of Alexandria**, in conjunction with the Mayor’s initiative to promote the arts citywide in Alexandria, announce the continuation of a juried fine art exhibit. This exhibit will enhance the environment of Alexandria’s City Hall and promote the talent of local artists. The exhibit will be juried by an outside, independent expert in the arts, and will hang for six months on the second floor of the Alexandria City Hall. Members of The Art League, Del Ray Artisans, and the Torpedo Factory Artists’ Association are invited to participate.

Deadline for Digital Submissions:

Postmarked by **Friday, September 28, 2012, 6:00pm**. Mail or deliver CD’s to The Art League Gallery, 105 N Union St, Alexandria, VA 22314. Artists will be notified no later than October 12, 2012.

Entry Fee: \$5.00 per piece, up to three pieces of original work.

Eligibility:

Open to members of the organizations listed above. Non-members may join the above listed organizations, with the exception of The Torpedo Factory Artists Association. Contact information is listed below.

Theme: Inside the Beltway – Artists are invited to submit images of local scenes or images about life within the D.C, Northern Virginia and Maryland region.

Awards: The juror will select monetary award winners and any Honorable Mention awards

- Alexandria Commission for the Arts Award of Merit - \$200
- Del Ray Artisans Award of Merit - \$200
- The Torpedo Factory Artists Association Award of Merit - \$200
- The Art League Award of Merit - \$200

Delivery of work: Saturday, October 20, 2012, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at Alexandria City Hall, 2nd floor
(Please use the Cameron St. entrance at the 300 block of Cameron)

Exhibition Dates & Times: October 22, 2012 – April 19, 2013, Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Reception: Date to be determined, Room 2000, Alexandria City Hall, 300 King St., Alexandria, VA 22314

Pick-up: Saturday, April 20, 2013, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm (Work not picked up will be delivered to The Art League Gallery at 2:00 pm, and a \$5 per day per piece storage fee will be charged.) **EARLY PICK-UP IS NOT PERMITTED.**

Juror: Sydney-Chanele Dawkins

Dawkins is an award-winning feature filmmaker, film curator, film festival producer and a theater and arts writer for D.C. Metro Theater Arts. She serves on the Alexandria Commission for the Arts as Vice-Chair and is the Chair of the Alexandria Arts Commission Grants Committee and ACA Poet Laureate Committee. She sits on the Alexandria City galleries screening committee and is a tireless supporter of the arts.

Dawkins successful first film, "Modern Love is Automatic", premiered at SXSW in Austin, Texas. She recently completed her second film, the animated, "The Wonderful Woes of Marsh". She was Co-Chair of the Film Program at Artomatic in 2012, past director of the Alexandria Film Festival, the Reel Independent Festival and the Female Shorts Film and video showcase at the Target Gallery in 2010.

Submission Guidelines:

Digital submission only. Artists may submit up to three works, and up to three may be selected. Image files must be JPEGs and be PC and MAC compatible. Images should be no larger than 300 dpi, sized approximately 4x6". Image files must be titled with the artist's name, artwork title, and entry number (**ex. smith-artwork title1.jpg**).

A non-refundable fee of \$5 per entry must accompany each entry form. Checks are to be made payable to The Art League. CD's will not be returned.

The attached entry form must be complete and include title, media, and dimensions. Please type or print legibly. You will receive a loan agreement upon acceptance to the exhibit.

Artwork Guidelines:

Submitted work must weigh less than 40 lbs. and have an overall dimension less than 3x4'. 3-D artists are asked to contact The Art League to discuss presentation issues. Artists may review the exhibit space (during regular City Hall hours) in advance; please note that corridors have eight-foot high ceilings. Artists are advised that the exhibition space is a government office building open to all members of the public, including children, and are asked to submit work appropriate to this venue. **NO SHIPPED WORK WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

All work must be ready for display, securely framed with screw eyes and wires firmly attached. No taped or clip style frames are allowed. Works on paper should have a protective covering of glass or Plexiglas. Work will be eliminated if poorly prepared or wet. All work must be original; no giclee' reproductions will be accepted. Works cannot have been juried into previous biannual Art in City Hall Juried Exhibitions or any previous exhibits at The Art League Gallery. This exhibit will apply as one show towards Bin Gallery membership at The Art League for the exhibit year 2013- 2014.

Sales:

Work may be for sale or marked NFS (Not For Sale). If NFS, a value must be stated in the Loan Agreement form for insurance purposes. The Art League will receive a 40% commission on all artwork sold, the artist will receive 60%. Accepted artwork (not including duplicate works) may NOT be sold directly by artists or their representatives (including through their websites) for the duration of the exhibition.

Loan Agreement:

The Loan Agreement will be made available to artists whose work is selected. Artists are required to submit this form upon delivery of artwork. Artists are required to complete and sign the Loan Agreement Form, at delivery of artwork. Permission to photograph any artwork for publicity purposes is considered granted unless otherwise stated in writing. The City and The Art League are not liable for theft or damage to submitted artwork.

More Information: Contact The Art League Gallery at 703-683-1780, gallery@theartleague.org

About the Sponsors:

The Art League is a charitable and educational 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides opportunities for artists to have their work juried by visual arts professionals from the metropolitan area in monthly shows. It also operates a non-accredited school of fine art, and operates outreach programs in the community. Located in the Torpedo Factory at 105 North Union St, Alexandria, Virginia. www.theartleague.org.

Alexandria Commission for the Arts is a City Council appointed 16-member commission responsible for allocating public funds to support the arts and advising Council on arts related policies. The Commission also works on other arts initiatives, such as the Annual Alex awards, the Public Art initiative, and a City Gallery program with fifteen gallery locations throughout the City. www.alexandriava.gov/arts.

Participating Organizations

The Art League – 703-683-1780 – 105 N. Union St., Alexandria, VA 22314 www.theartleague.org

Del Ray Artisans – 703-838-4827 – 2704 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria, VA 22301 www.thedelrayartisans.org

Torpedo Factory Artists Association – 105 N. Union St. Alexandria, VA 22314

Entry Form | Art In City Hall | October 22, 2012 – April 19, 2013

Please complete and deliver with CD submission and check for entry fees by September 28, 2012, 6:00pm.

Artist Name: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Title of Artwork #1: _____

Medium: _____

Dimensions: _____

Price (or Value, if NFS): _____

Please note any surface marking, scratches, or flaws, including frames, bases, or installation materials: _

Please note any special handling instructions:

Title of Artwork #2: _____

Medium: _____

Dimensions: _____

Price (or Value, if NFS): _____

Please note any surface marking, scratches, or flaws, including frames, bases, or installation materials: _

Please note any special handling instructions:

Title of Artwork #3: _____

Medium: _____

Dimensions: _____

Price (or Value, if NFS): _____

Please note any surface marking, scratches, or flaws, including frames, bases, or installation materials: _

Please note any special handling instructions: