



United Against Hate Digital Art Spotlight—2023

Call For Artists

Project Description:

The goal of this project is to recognize, celebrate, and honor the power of communities standing together and unified in San Mateo County during United Against Hate Week¹, from November 12-18, 2023.

Digital Art Spotlight Dates:

The selected digital art pieces (up to ten) will be highlighted during United Against Hate Week: November 12 – November 18, 2023.

Please note: The County will obtain rights to all selected artwork, will have rights to display, distribute, and copy the selected artwork, and the selected artwork may be included on other County materials, such as pamphlets, flyers, County webpages, and/or prints, not limited to the United Against Hate Week campaign.

Location:

The selected digital artwork will be spotlighted via the County of San Mateo Office of Community Affairs and the Office of Arts and Culture social media channels including Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Additionally, the artwork will be included on the Office of Community Affairs website. Artwork may be displayed at the Board of Supervisors' public meeting held on November 14, 2023.

Theme:

United Against Hate Week is a call for local civic action to stop the hate and implicit biases that are a threat to the safety and civility of our neighborhoods, towns, cities and San Mateo County. Artists are encouraged to submit artwork that exemplifies themes of unity, supporting neighbors, and standing together. All art, including photographs, drawings and paintings, must be submitted in a digital format. This call is for original art pieces only. Pieces which contain imagery that is copyrighted by a different entity, plagiarized, or copied from any other source will not be considered.

Submission:

Please submit up to 3 high-resolution digital images (per artist), at 300 dpi or larger (.png, or .jpg) along with your application. Send all submissions to the San Mateo County, Office of Community Affairs

¹ United Against Hate Week emerged from a campaign created by Bay Area Cities in response to white supremacist rallies in Berkeley and San Francisco in 2017. For more information visit: <https://www.unitedagainsthateweek.org>

Immigrant Services Team, at immigrantservices@smcgov.org no later than **November 6th, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (PST)**; Artists accepted into *United Against Hate Digital Art Spotlight—2023* will be notified by email by 5pm PST, Friday, November 10th.

Eligibility:

Up to three (3) digital artworks per artist may be accepted if the art and artist meet the following criteria for eligibility:

- Artist must live in San Mateo County or work for the County of San Mateo.
- Artist must be at least 18 years of age.
- No images of nudity, religion, politics or violence are allowed.
- Artist signs a release of liability.
- Artist will name their artwork submissions in the following format: lastname_01, lastname_02, lastname_03
- Artist must provide artist name, art title, and medium by email to immigrantservices@smcgov.org
- **OPTIONAL:** Artist may provide a brief statement (maximum 30 words) about the entry

Art Selection Criteria and Process:

- Artists will be considered based on the following criteria:
 - Artistic excellence, and communication of a unique vision or perspective
 - Level of community theme
- Artwork celebrating cultural diversity is strongly encouraged.
- Artwork will be selected by a panel of judges including San Mateo County Arts Commissioners and staff from the County Office of Community Affairs.
- Up to TEN (10) art pieces will be selected.
- The County of San Mateo Chief Executive Office will review and approve the final selection.

Awards:

The selected artists will be notified by the County of San Mateo Chief Executives Office of Community Affairs by email on November 10, 2023 by 4:00pm PST. The award available for the project is \$100 per selected art piece. Selected artist will need to provide a signed W-9 for payment requirements.

Questions:

For any questions or comments, feel free to email immigrantservices@smcgov.org. To keep informed about the Office of Community Affairs, Immigrant Services and community initiatives, please follow [@smc_commaffairs](#) on Instagram or Twitter, or visit their webpage at SmcCommAffairs@smcgov.org.

For additional information on Gallery news, exhibitions, and opportunities follow The Office of Arts and Culture on Instagram [@smc_artsandculture](#).

DEADLINE FOR CONSIDERATION: Monday, November 6, 2023 at 5pm (PST)
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Exhibitor Application

Fill out this sheet completely (please print legibly). Three (3) works may be submitted. There is no submission fee. If you have difficulty completing this application, please contact immigrantservices@smcgov.org.

ARTIST APPLICATION		
Applicant Information (Please Print Clearly)		
Applicants Name		Date of Application
Street Address	City	Zip
Home Phone	Cell Phone	Email Address
I certify that all the artwork submitted with this application is my original work (sign below)		
Sign full name		Date
Work Submitted		
1. Title of Work:		
Medium/Description:		
2. Title of Work:		
Medium/Description:		
3. Title of Work:		
Medium/Description:		
Optional		
Artist may provide a brief statement (maximum 30 words) for each entry.		

Applications should be submitted by email by Monday, November 6, 2023 by 5pm PST.

Email: immigrantservices@smcgov.org