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The Loft Artist Association is pleased to announce an open call for entries for our 10th Annual Juried Exhibition. Our juror is Kimberly Henrikson, the Executive Director of the Center for Contemporary Printmaking. All entries will be submitted and reviewed via <u>EntryThingy.</u> The Show dates are Saturday, September 9 – Sunday, October 8, 2023. Deadlines include August 15, for entries, August 22, for artist notifications, and August 27-28, for artwork delivery. An Opening Reception and Awards Ceremony will be held on Saturday, September 9 from 5-7 PM. The theme is open, and all artists are invited to submit.

<u>Juror</u>

Kimberly Henrikson is in her 6th year as Executive Director at the Center for Contemporary Printmaking (CCP) after having previously held a seat on the CCP board and the Artist-in-Residence committee.

Her involvement in the non-profit and fine art printmaking community has continued to expand and develop over the course of the past 15 years. Before coming to CCP, she founded her own business, the Yvonne Brandt Art Advisory based in New Canaan, Connecticut, which provided art advising services for private individuals. Prior to that, Kimberly supervised a team at the nonprofit digital image provider, Artstor, based in New York City, where she managed the training and support services for licensing institutions in the Higher Ed and museum community around the world.

She has also held various roles focused on client relationship management for both creative and technology organizations in New York City, including Yahoo, HotJobs.com, a fashion design house, and a midtown art gallery.

For more than 12 years, Kimberly has been involved with the Print Club of New York, a membership group of print collectors in the New York City area for which she holds the position of Membership chair after eight years as President for the organization. She also serves on the National Advisory Council for the Palmer Museum of Art at Penn State University and the Advisory Board for the Norwalk Art Space with leaders in the arts community of Fairfield County.

Kimberly received a BA in Art History from Penn State University and served two years as President of the Penn State College of Arts and Architecture Alumni Society Board. Currently, Kimberly resides in New Canaan, CT with her husband and son.

The Loft Artists Association

Founded in 1978, The Loft Artists Association is a 501 (c) 3 non- profit organization of professional working artists dedicated to building connections within the visual arts community and offering many artistic and educational opportunities to the public free of charge. As an established cultural institution, their grassroots events attract thousands of visitors throughout the Tri-state area and have been recognized by funding agencies including the Connecticut Commission on the Arts, corporate and private sponsors, the City of Stamford and by visitors who return year after year. For more information, please visit <u>loftartists.org</u>.

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Important Dates

- Entry Deadline: August 15, 2023
- Notification to accepted artists: August 22, 2023
- Receiving: Sunday, August 27, 3-5 pm and Monday August 28 11-1 pm
- Opening Reception: Saturday, September 9, 5-7 pm
- On view: September 9 to October 8, Saturdays & Sundays <u>1-4pm</u>.
- Pick up: Monday, October 9, 11-1 pm and Tuesday, October 10, 11-1 pm

Submission Guidelines

- Open call for all artists.
- Categories: Drawing, Painting, Printmaking, Sculpture, Ceramics, Photography, Digital Art, and Mixed Media.
- Maximum width for wall artwork is 48" before framing. Gallery-wrap canvas without additional frame is permissible but must be securely wired for hanging. No saw-toothed hangers.
- For sculptures, the maximum height is 6'.
- There are some white stands available for sculptures on a first come first served basis.
- Works for sale are encouraged.
- Please note that all sales made during or because of this exhibit are subject to a 20% commission payable to the Loft Artists Association.
- Cash award to Best in Show.

Nonrefundable Submission Fees:

- Loft Artist members: \$25 for first, \$10 each additional entry
- Non-members: \$30 for first, \$15 each additional entry
- Maximum number of entries 5 per artist.
- **MULTIPLE ENTRIES** must be made at the same time on <u>EntryThingy</u> to receive a discount.
- LAA Members will enter a discount code when checking out.

Additional Submission Information

- All submissions are to be made online with high-quality digital images through <u>EntryThingy</u>.
- Maximum file size: 5 MB
- Minimum file size: 40 kb
- Minimum image width: 600 pix
- Entry Deadline: August 15, 2023
- Entry is no guarantee of selection.
- All selected art must be delivered unpacked and ready to hang or display. Curators reserve the right to reject any selected work upon delivery if it appears substantially misrepresented by the submitted image. Works should be delivered to the Loft Artist Association at 575 Pacific Street, Stamford, CT 2nd Floor. There is a \$10 fee per day for works not removed on pick up days.
- Loft Artists Association will not be responsible for unpacking or re-shipping. A local shipping & handling service is available through The Packaging Store in Stamford. * (Details below). Or you can choose one of your own.
- Entry gives your consent to participate in this exhibition with the understanding that the Loft Artists Association cannot be held liable for any damage, loss, or dispute. Artists are responsible for delivery of sold artwork. Artists should self-insure their work.
- Entry gives your consent for selected works to be included in promotional materials printed and online. Please select the ok to publish option when submitting your entry or we will be unable to consider your artwork for the show.

***SHIPPING & HANDLING**

For your convenience, we have located a Stamford shipper (The Packaging Store) who has art shipment experience to receive, store, unpack and repack for return delivery.

LAA has no affiliation with The Packaging Store, and you must contact them <u>directly</u> to arrange shipping. Shipping as well as unpacking/packing, return, and any other shipping fees must be arranged by and paid directly to the local shipper:

The Packaging Store

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We look forward to your submissions! For questions, contact event coordinators at <u>laajuriedshows@gmail.com</u>