

## Call to Artists – August Exhibit Art of Aging 2022

**Title of Exhibit:** *Art of Aging: The Secret of Life*

**Who's Eligible:** MCA Artist Members (Ages 55+)

**Description of Exhibit:** Marion Cultural Alliance (MCA) in partnership with Marion Senior Services (MSS) invites our creative senior community ages 55+ to submit artworks in any medium that relates to this year's theme: The Secret of Life.

The Art of Aging is an annual collaborative effort of MSS and MCA that celebrates aging through art, stories, and education. The exhibit is a celebration of the creative talent of our community's senior artists.

**Mediums:** All mediums are encouraged and welcomed!

**Entry Procedure:** Each artist may submit two (2) pieces for consideration. All work for this exhibit must be original. All entries are to be submitted no later than **Monday, July 25 at midnight**, and sent digitally via email to [Ashley.Justiniano@McaOcala.com](mailto:Ashley.Justiniano@McaOcala.com). In your email, please include:

- Artist Entry Form with Artist Contact Information (See last page on this document)
- Digital Photographs of Artwork in .jpg or .pdf file format with a high resolution.
- Brief Artist Statement (Explain your piece(s) in a few words, no more than 500 words)

**Artists' Reception:** Friday, August 6, 2022 (5 pm – 6:30 pm) at Brick City Center for the Arts

**Exhibit Dates & Location:** August 6 – 27, 2022

**Deadline to submit\*:** Monday, July 25, 2022 (before midnight)

**Drop Off Date\*:** Monday, August 1, 2022 (11:00 am - 4:00 pm) at The Brick (23 SW Broadway St)

**Pick Up Date:** Monday, August 29, 2022 (11:00 am - 4:00 pm)

**August Sponsors:** RBOI and Urology Institute, Roberts Funeral Services, Florida Blue, Humana, Mainstreet Community Bank, Advent Health, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Oppenheimer and Suydam, Conrad & Clark Wealth Management Group & Wells Fargo.

**Exhibit PARTners:** Marion Senior Services

**\*\*\*Interested participants must read the Entry Requirements, send high quality images of their artwork via email along with Entry Form. Please note that we will not accept any artwork that has not been pre-approved by the Gallery Director & Gallery Committee. Artists will be notified of their status by email by Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup> by 5pm. Please make sure to read our Submission Guidelines in the next page before submitting.**

## **Complete list of requirements for MCA exhibit submitted work:**

**Calls to Artists:** MCA will issue Calls to Artists at least 30-60 days prior to the deadline for submission. Calls will be issued through a targeted email to all members and through media releases. Artists may also visit [www.mcaocala.org/calls-to-artists](http://www.mcaocala.org/calls-to-artists) to learn of upcoming shows and opportunities.

**Subject Matter:** All submitted pieces should not be offensive or controversial and must be suitable for a family-friendly gallery audience and public City building.

**Media:** MCA's shows are open to any media including, but by no means limited to traditional drawing, glass, printmaking, digital/new media, photography, sculpture, painting, textiles, installation, etc. If piece requires special installation, the artist is responsible for all installation and providing all materials the piece may require.

**Submission Dates:** Submission dates are indicated in the Calls to Artists. If you have questions, need clarification regarding dates or if you can't make any of the listed dates, please contact the Gallery Director.

**Submission Format:** Artists must submit images of the work via email, along with artist's info, title of artwork, dimensions, and price information. Once approved by the Gallery Director, artists may bring in only pre-approved pieces of original art on the given dates listed in the Call to Artists. All pieces should include an Identification Card in the back with name, contact info and title of the piece. Suggested size per piece is up to 40" in any direction. However, if 2D artwork is oversized, only one (1) submission will be considered. All entries are to be submitted for approval, sent via email to [Ashley.Justiniano@McaOcala.com](mailto:Ashley.Justiniano@McaOcala.com) by the established deadline.

**Limitations:** All 2D work must be properly wired with suitable hanging mechanisms, and must be "gallery ready", either framed or created on a gallery wrapped canvas. If work is not gallery ready, it will not be accepted. All 3D work must be assembled by the artist, before it is accepted. Artist is responsible for installing their 3D piece unless otherwise specified by Gallery Director. All work must be original and must have been completed in the last two years only. Please do not re-submit work that has already been shown in a previous exhibit at The Brick City Center for the Arts Gallery or anywhere around Marion County. All work must be completed before submission. Any work that is not yet dry or incomplete will not be accepted.

**All work that is shown must be for sale, split 70% to the artist and 30% to MCA.** All work that is shown at 'The Brick' must be for sale, no exceptions.

**Liability:** MCA's Gallery Director will take great care in handling artworks for exhibition. MCA is not liable for any damage that may occur.

**Shipping:** The artist is responsible for shipping costs to and from The Brick City Center for the Arts. Specific shipping and labeling details can be requested from the Gallery Director.

**Post Show Pick Up:** Accepted artwork must remain in the Gallery through the designated end of the show and must be picked up by the date established by the Gallery Director. If an Artist cannot make the pick-up dates, arrangements must be made with Gallery Director before the end of the show. Any work left at 'The Brick' for over 30 days without prior consent from the Gallery Director will be considered a donation and will become property of the Marion Cultural Alliance.

**Exhibition Selection Process:** Selection of work is at the discretion of the Gallery Director. We reserve the right to reject work for the exhibition that does not meet the above requirements or does not match the intent of the exhibit. Protection of intellectual property rights in the arts is of paramount importance to every artist. Therefore, Marion Cultural Alliance, Inc (MCA). reserves the right to reject and return any piece that in the sole discretion of MCA would potentially infringe on any existing copyrights, trademarks, and trade dress. Artists will be notified via email after submission. If you wish to discuss further, please make an appointment by emailing Gallery Director at the email below.

**If you have any questions or concerns, please contact The Brick's Gallery Director, Ashley Justiniano at [Ashley.Justiniano@MCAOcala.com](mailto:Ashley.Justiniano@MCAOcala.com) or call 352-369-1500.**



**ARTIST ENTRY FORM**



BRICK CITY CENTER FOR THE ARTS GALLERY MONTHLY EXHIBIT

ARTIST CONTACT INFORMATION (Your artwork must accompany this sheet)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

SOCIAL MEDIA HANDLE(S) / WEBSITE: \_\_\_\_\_

**In order to promote the sale of art in the gallery**, Marion Cultural Alliance requests your permission to use images of your art placed in our newsletter, website, social media sites, or any other promotional material including posters, banners, brochures, invitations, and postcards. The title of your work and your name will be included with each use of your image. Protection of intellectual property rights in the arts is of paramount importance to every artist. Therefore, Marion Cultural Alliance, Inc (MCA) reserves the right to reject and return any piece that in the sole discretion of MCA would potentially infringe on any existing copyrights, trademarks, and trade dress.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I understand.

\*Signed \_\_\_\_\_ \*Date \_\_\_\_\_

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| TITLE OF PIECE: _____<br>MEDIUM: _____<br>PRICE: _____ DIMENSIONS _____  | Insert Image 1<br>(or send image in an email with description) |
| TITLE OF PIECE: _____<br>MEDIUM: _____<br>PRICE: _____ DIMENSIONS _____  | Insert Image 2<br>(or send image in an email with description) |
| <b>(PLEASE SIGN AT THE END OF EXHIBIT WHEN YOU PICK UP YOUR ARTWORK)</b> |  |
| SIGNED _____ DATE _____  |  |