

Call for Artists

The Ashtabula County Suicide Prevention Coalition and the Ashtabula County LOSS Team, in collaboration with the Ashtabula Arts Center, are seeking artwork submissions for our second annual show, **Hope in Artistry: Reducing Stigma and Raising Awareness for Suicide Prevention**. A variety of mediums will be accepted, including photography, painting, illustrations and mixed media. This is a great opportunity for artists in Ashtabula County and Northeast Ohio to show your work, support survivors of suicide, reduce stigma, and raise awareness to help prevent suicide. In 2017, Ashtabula County lost 22 individuals to suicide. That puts us well over both the state and national suicide rates. Suicide is one of the leading causes of death across all demographic categories, but especially among younger and older Ashtabula County residents. We know that friends and loved ones who are left behind after a suicide loss are placed at a greatly elevated risk of dying by suicide themselves and are in need of awareness, intervention, and support. **Hope in Artistry: Reducing Stigma and Raising Awareness for Suicide Prevention** will offer an artistic outlet for survivors and community artists to show support for survivors, raise awareness, and start conversations about suicide loss and prevention.

Description of Event: A juried exhibit of artwork to **reduce stigma, raise awareness for suicide prevention, and commemorate National Survivors of Suicide Day (November 17, 2018)**. Both two and three-dimensional work is eligible. Open to all artists who reside in Ashtabula County (artwork from residents outside of Ashtabula County will be considered on a case by case basis). If your work is chosen, you will be invited to attend the opening reception on November 16, 2018 at the Ashtabula Arts Center from 6-8 pm.

To Apply:

1. Complete Entry Form and waiver.
2. Submit Artwork to Ashtabula Arts Center on November 1 & 2, 2018. Artists will be notified of their acceptance between November 3rd and November 5th, 2018. If accepted, artwork will be displayed at the Ashtabula Arts Center during the month of November (November 5th-27th), with pick-up and take-down November 28th – 30th, 2018. Artists are responsible for the delivery, pack, and transport of their artwork, and must provide for the return of their submitted artwork at their own risk and expense. Please see the release and waiver for more details.

Artist Entry Form

Deadline: November 1-2, 2018

Name: _____ Date: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Medium: _____

Briefly describe the concept behind your work (optional): _____

Artists may submit up to three pieces of work. Size limits include:

Canvas sizes no larger than 36" x 48"

Sculpture and other 3 dimensional art must be easily portable for display purposes and no larger than 36" x 36" x 36".

All artwork must be prepared and ready to hang (framed, wired, matted, etc.)

Submission #1

Title: _____

Medium: _____

Size/Dimensions: _____

Date: _____

Sale Price (if applicable): _____

Submission #2

Title: _____

Medium: _____

Size/Dimensions: _____

Date: _____

Sale Price (if applicable): _____

Submission #3

Title: _____

Medium: _____

Size/Dimensions: _____

Date: _____

Sale Price (if applicable): _____

Art Exhibit Release and Waiver of Liability Form

Artist grants permission for exhibit organizers to reproduce Artist's name, information describing the submitted artwork, and any other information Artist has provided for the purpose of displaying the submitted artwork, and for the promotion and publicity of the exhibit. **All sales of artwork during the show will be brokered through the Ashtabula Arts Center. The Ashtabula Arts Center applies a 30% commission for any sales generated from the show.**

Artist agrees to deliver, pack, transport, and provide for the return of their submitted artwork at their own risk and expense. Artists may deliver artwork to the Ashtabula Arts Center on November 1 & 2, 2018 during regular operating hours (9am to 9pm). Artists will be notified of their acceptance between November 3rd and November 5th, 2018. If accepted, artwork will be displayed at the Ashtabula Arts Center during the month of November (November 5th-27th, 2017). Artists may pick-up artwork November 28th– 30th, 2018, at the Ashtabula Arts Center, during regular operating hours. Works left over 30 days become the property of the Ashtabula Arts Center.

Release of Liability: Ashtabula County Suicide Prevention Coalition and Ashtabula County Mental Health Recovery Services Board, and their employees, agents, representatives, personnel, and members, shall not be liable for any injury to artists or for any damage or loss of Artists' works, equipment, or other personal property arising out of the art exhibition, the mounting and/or other activities involved in the preparation and/or presentation of the art exhibition. Artists shall indemnify, save, and hold harmless the Ashtabula County Suicide Prevention Coalition and Ashtabula County Mental Health Recovery Services Board, and their employees, agents, representatives and members, from any and all claims, demands, causes of action and judgments, losses, costs, and expenses, including but not limited to reasonable attorney's fees, arising from or in any way related to the use of Artists' works, equipment, or other personal property, including but not limited to any representation, warranty, term and/or condition of this agreement.

Artist understands that the area where artwork is to be displayed will be in a building open to public, during day and evening hours of operation, and has limited supervision. With this understanding, Artists release the Ashtabula County Suicide Prevention Coalition and Ashtabula County Mental Health Recovery Services Board, and their employees, agents, representatives, personnel, and members, from any liability for loss, theft, or damage to any piece of artwork the Artists submit.

Artist Name (Please Print): _____

Artist Signature: _____ Date: _____

If artist is under age 18 (a minor), parent or guardian must sign below:

Parent Name (Please Print): _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____