

Call for Large Art

Spectra Venue Management, operators of the MassMutual Center, in coordination with the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority (MCCA), seeks large scale 2D artwork from artists (minimum size 36"x48'), artisans and/or designers to develop interior public artwork(s) concepts for long term display within the downtown Convention Center. The eight (8) month display will highlight local artists. There are a variety of spaces within the Center where the art could be displayed with an initial focus on a large pre-function space located near the exhibition hall.

Standing in the heart of the Pioneer Valley, the MassMutual Center is the most diverse function space in Western Massachusetts. Boasting 100,000 square feet of flexible space, the MassMutual Center is the perfect back drop for any event. All under one roof, the MassMutual Center offers an elegant ballroom, five fully-functional meeting rooms, a 40,000 square foot exhibit space, plus a totally renovated 8,000 seat arena.

The MassMutual Center hosts hundreds of events per year. With approximately 300,000 annual visitors between the two venues, the convention center is host to conventions, trade shows, concerts, meetings, galas and other special events. More information on the venue can be found on the website www.massmutualcenter.com.

BUDGET: Currently, there is no stipend for the selected artists for the artwork that will be placed on consignment. The MMC will not seek commission on any artwork sold.

ELIGIBILITY: Artists, artisans, and/or designers must be at least 18 years old. Applicants must also be residents of Western Massachusetts; priority will be given to artists and/or designers within the Pioneer Valley.



OTHER DETAILS:

- 2D artwork (paintings, framed photographs, mixed media, etc.) must come mountable or hanger ready.
 - All artwork will need to withstand exposure to sunlight over the 1-year period.
 - Artists are responsible for the delivery and return of work, including all costs.
 - Important dates:
 - August 28, 2015
 - August 29-September 11, 2015
 - October 2, 2015
 - October 3-12, 2015
 - October 13, 2015
 - TBD
 - June 13, 2016
 - June 15, 2016
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| | Deadline for entry (postmark) |
| | Jurying of entries, notification sent |
| | Deadline for delivery of work |
| | Installation of artwork |
| | Display open to the public |
| | Artist Reception |
| | End of display period |
| | Pick-up of work begins |

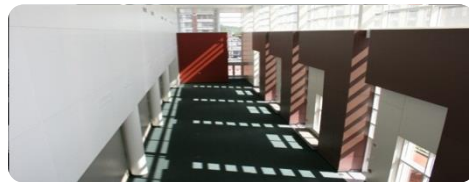
HOW TO APPLY:

Please submit the following:

- Résumé with contact information included
- Artist statement (150-250 words)
- 4-8 images of current work (images should be saved as JPEGs, no larger than 3MB and saved to a CD, readable by both Mac and PC formats). Jurying will be done by digital images only.
- Image list with title, media, year, size etc. for each image on disc
- A description or additional documentation of the proposed work(s) for exhibition.
- Please list an e-mail address where you can be contacted or include a self-addressed stamped envelope for notification purposes. Submitted materials will not be returned.
- There is a \$25 entry fee

Mail of deliver entry materials to:

MassMutual Center
Attn: Art Committee
1277 Main Street
Springfield, MA 01103



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