

Gaithersburg Fine Arts Association

37th Annual Juried Show 2023

Kentlands Mansion, Gaithersburg, MD

April 21 through July 16, 2023

We are pleased to announce Gaithersburg Fine Arts Association's 37th Annual Members' Juried Show at the Kentlands Mansion in Gaithersburg, MD. All GFAA members in good standing (**dues paid by March 24, 2023**) are invited to submit original, two-dimensional fine artwork in the categories listed below.

Juror: Our juror for this show is Michael Shibley. Michael is a local artist who lives in Takoma Park, MD. His artwork has been recognized through a variety of awards and professional citations. His original watercolors and oils that focus on light, shape and color in the natural and man-made landscape can be found in both public and private collections in the Washington area and across the country.

His use of color attracts attention at local art galleries and group shows. His colorful urban landscapes depicting people participating in urban life have proved increasingly popular and have resulted in numerous commissioned works.

Michael offers personal tutoring in watercolor as well as larger classes. He is currently an art instructor at the Yellow Barn Studio at Glen Echo Park. His class, "Finding Your Watercolor Style" offers students painting techniques and approaches for application to the student's preferred subject matter.

Michael is also an active participant in the Washington, D.C., area art community including the Montgomery Art Association (MAA); the Takoma Watercolor Group; the Fredericksburg Center for the Creative Arts, and is a Friend of the Yellow Barn. He has also been invited to serve as a Juror at local art exhibitions.

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Calendar:

Exhibit on display	April 21 – July 16, 2023 - during mansion events and during normal mansion business hours
Registration Deadline	Online entry must be completed before Friday March 31, 2023 12:00 midnight.
Drop off Artwork	Monday, April 17 - 4:00 – 6:00 PM. Artwork and signed application Kentlands Mansion – Kent Square Rd., Gaithersburg. Pay \$12.00 for each accepted piece.
Show Juried	Tuesday April 18, 2023 between 10:00 AM and noon.
Show Hanging	Tuesday April 18, 2023- Noon- 4 PM.
Work not selected- Pickup	Tuesday April 18, 2023 4:00 – 6:00 PM Pick up/sign out non-selected art at show desk.
Reception & Awards	Thursday April 27, 2023 7:00-8:30 PM.
Artist Pickup Artwork	Monday, July 17, 2023 10:00 – 12:00 PM - Pickup/sign out at show desk. Please arrange for pickup if you cannot be there as storage is not available and a late fee of \$5.00 per day is levied for artwork not removed at this time.

Two-dimensional fine art will be juried and then judged in four categories:

- 1) Water media, Under Glass/Plexiglass (watercolor, gouache, acrylics).
- 2) Oil/Acrylic/Water media on Canvas, Gallery Wrapped Paper or Panel Not Under Glass.
- 3) Dry Media (including drawing, pastel, pen and ink) Under or Not Under Glass.
- 4) Mixed Media/Other including ink/wash, alcohol inks, encaustic, hand-pulled prints. Water media and Oil and Acrylics that include additions such as charcoal, pastel, or other media or papers added to the substrate should be submitted under Mixed Media/Other.

Photo transfers from artist original photographs can be included as part of a hand pulled prints within the mixed media category. Photographs can be transferred onto the final artwork surface as long as the portion of the photograph has first been enhanced in some way as to create an original design.

Original photographs that were digitally-produced, can be included as part of a collage but, cannot occupy more than 25 percent of the entire artwork surface.

The awards are 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in each category with a total of four (4) honorable mention that can be given out in any of the categories listed above. There will also be one (1) best in show award.

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Unacceptable work includes:

- * Works, including collages, using non-original material from magazines or any other sources.
- * Copies of other artist/photographer copyrighted or personal works.
- * Three-dimensional work including collages or other assemblages.
- * Wet canvasses/works of art.
- * Works over 45" on any side (total linear dimension including frame).

Advertising the Exhibit – Requirement

- In preparation for this exhibit, The City of Gaithersburg is asking for pictures (JPG files) so that they can advertise the show. The same JPG files will be used to advertise the show and the virtual reception.
- JPG images should be as close to 1024 pixels x 768 pixels as possible with a resolution between 72ppi and 240ppi (pixels per inch). File size should be at least 1,100KB (1.1MB) and less than 2,500KB (2.5MB). Images should only include the artwork, no framing or matting.
- Artwork images should be labeled as follows: LastNameFirstName_ArtworkTitle.JPG.

Entry Conditions:

- Up to 6 works may be submitted for jurying, with a maximum of 3 works per category.
- All work selected must be for sale.
- All pieces must be appropriately matted and/or framed:
 - Water-based work must be protected by glass or plexiglass (plexiglass if the framed artwork is over 20" by 24").
 - Oil/Acrylic and Water media work on canvas or panels should not be covered by glass or plexiglass. Unframed gallery-wrapped canvasses are permitted if the exposed edges are painted.
- All pieces must be properly wired to the wood or metal sides of frame with wire and hardware sufficiently strong and taut to hold each piece. Wires should be mounted no more than 1/4 to 1/3 of the way down from the top of the frame to insure proper hanging of the pieces in the show.
 - No clips or sawtooth hangers. No wires attached to the cardboard or other backing.
- No smudged mats, wet artwork, clip/poster frames or damaged frames.
- All works must be properly labeled, including title of work, artist's name, phone number, medium, price, and category.
- Check-in procedures will include review of works for compliance. Works that are improperly framed will not be accepted for jurying.
- **Membership dues must have been paid in full by March 24, 2023.**

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Online Entry

This will be the first time GFAA has done online entry. Please read over the information needed to complete the online entry. Some documents will need to be printed off, filled out, signed and then scanned. In addition, these documents and pictures of your artwork will have to be renamed as described below. We strongly suggest that you gather copies of all the documents and files needed to complete the online submittal and organize them into one folder on your computer in order to make the data entry process easier. By clicking the highlighted Google Form link below, a window will open and you can start the data entry process.

Artwork Information

Some of the following information only needs to be enter once:

- Artist Name
- Email Address
- Artwork Title(s)
- Artwork Medium(s)
- Artwork Sizes (unframed)
- Artwork Price(s)

Artist Statement

Artist Bio

Signature Page

Image Release Form

Picture of artwork (one JPG file per entry)

Artwork Pictures

Artists should submit high-quality images of their artwork in JPG format. There should be one picture for each piece of artwork submitted to the show. It is **EXTREMELY IMPORTANT** that the pictures of your artwork be JPG files and be renamed as follows, artist last name, artist first name, artwork title. No spaces between last name and first name.

e.g. HigginsCraig_River View.JPG

Artist Biography and Artist Statement

Submit a copy of your artist biography and a copy of your Artist Statement in PDF format or Microsoft Word format (.DOC or .DOCX). The file should be renamed as follows, artist last name, artist first name, Underscore character, Biography.PDF or ArtistStatement.PDF No spaces between last name and first name.

e.g. HigginsCraig_Biography.PDF

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Application into the Kentlands Juried Show

Please print and sign a copy of page 6 of this document. This is the Acceptance of all Terms and Requirements. The online application call this the "Signature Page". After signing either scan as a PDF or photograph as a JPG file. The file should be renamed as follows, artist last name, artist first name, Underscore character, Application.PDF. No spaces between last name and first name.

e.g. HigginsCraig_Application.PDF or e.g. HigginsCraig_Application.JPG

Image Release Form

Please print and sign a copy of page 7 of this document. This is the Image Release Form. After signing either scan as a PDF or photograph as a JPG file. The file should be renamed as follows, artist last name, artist first name, Underscore character, ImageReleaseForm.PDF. No spaces between last name and first name.

e.g. HigginsCraig_ImageReleaseForm.PDF or HigginsCraig_ImageReleaseForm.JPG

Google Form Link

By clicking here, the Google Form Window will open and your information will begin to be loaded to the Google Drive. Once you click the Submit-Button within the Google Form, an email will be sent to Bob Maarsen to notify him of your data entry. Bob will validate the file data and then send you the artwork labels. You need to tape these labels to your artwork.

If you click the Google Forms link and you are not transferred to the Google Form Window, please contact Bob Maarsen by email.

<https://forms.gle/Qv7LPynYgxDePAEi8>

Online entry must be completed before Friday March 31, 2023 12:00 midnight.

City of Gaithersburg Conditions:

- Nudes or subjects that may be considered offensive are not allowed.
- The City takes a 30% commission on works sold during the show and for six months thereafter if sold as a direct result of the exhibit.
- The artist is responsible for collecting and paying the Maryland 6% sales tax on all works sold.
- Artwork must remain in the exhibition until pickup on July 17, 2023.
- The City does not have storage facilities and does not insure or bear responsibility for damage to work that is not picked up. A late charge of \$5.00 per day, per piece of art, will be levied by the City for work not removed by July 18, 2023

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**Acceptance of all Terms and Requirements
also know as the “Signature Page” within the online application**

I have read and agree to comply with the rules as stated in the application to the Kentlands Mansion Juried Show. I also understand that GFAA and/or the City of Gaithersburg are NOT responsible for damage or loss.

Please sign and date below.

Signature_____ Date:_____

Are you willing to volunteer with setup and/or takedown for this show? Yes__ No__

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Image Release Form

In consideration of the opportunity to participate in the GFAA Kentlands Mansion Juried Show, I understand that there is a need to publicize this exhibit. I therefore grant permission and license for GFAA and the City of Gaithersburg to use digital and/or photographic images of my artwork listed below for such publicity purposes, including but not limited to the GFAA Kentlands Mansion Juried Show websites and Facebook pages, postcards, fliers, press releases, and emails.

I have read and agree to comply with the rules outlined above. We also understand that GFAA and Kentland Mansion Juried Show are NOT responsible for damage or loss.

Print Exhibitor's Name: _____

Exhibitor's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Title of Artwork _____

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