



## The Placitas Library Art Exhibits for 2018 - CALL FOR ARTISTS

Here's a chance for you to get out of your creative comfort zone and try a different artistic medium or enter your best work. The following exhibits are open to all artists over 18 years old:

### **JANUARY ART EXHIBIT - "Flights of Fancy: Artful Representations of Birds"**

**Submissions begin - Tuesday, Nov 7, 2017**

**Submission Deadline - Friday Nov 17, 2017**

In January many of our feathered friends move south, but avian visions remain. From Audubon to Picasso artists throughout time have depicted birds through painting, photography, clay and other media. This is your opportunity to join the artists of Placitas and environs in portraying these winged wonders. Let your imagination soar!

### **FEBRUARY ART EXHIBIT - "Walk in My Shoes!"**

**Submissions begin - Tuesday, Nov 7, 2017**

**Submission Deadline - Friday Nov 17, 2017**

Shoes! You wear them; you run in them; you dance in them; and you admire them. The submission piece can be a decorated, constructed, deconstructed, photographed, or a reimaged shoe or pair of shoes.

### **MARCH ART EXHIBIT - "Quilts: Everything Old is New Again" -**

**Submissions begin - Tues, Dec 26, 2017**

**Submission Deadline - Friday, Jan 5, 2018**

Rework those traditional quilts in new and different way, or using untraditional fabrics. Submissions can include "wearable" pieces such as quilted jackets and vests. Think outside the "traditional" quilted wall hanging artwork and try something new!

### **JUNE ART EXHIBIT - "Dress for Success"**

**Submissions begin - Tuesday, March 27, 2018**

**Submission Deadline - Friday, Apr 6, 2018**

Who wears dresses anymore? Little girls with voluminous petticoats beneath satin, ribbons and bows. A bride in her white gown trailed by pastel-clad attendants. Pencil-thin models wearing Armani, Versace or Donna Karan. Consider this familiar garb as a metaphor for comfort (the casual house dress), for femininity, for women's traditional roles in days gone by. Using fabric (that abandoned dress in the closet?), paint, photography or another medium, this is your opportunity to comment on our love/hate relationship with this ubiquitous article of clothing.

### **JULY ART EXHIBIT - "Black and White"**

**Submissions begin - Tuesday, April 3, 2018**

**Submission Deadline - Friday, May 4, 2018**

Black and white...a classic combination! Some people "think" in black and white; others "wear" black and white; photographers "shoot" in black and white; and artists "sketch" in black and white. What about you? Use this theme to create your next work of art. Want to enhance your design with a touch of **accent color**? It's OK!

#### **AUGUST ART EXHIBIT - "Painting Placitas"**

**Submissions begin - Tuesday, May 1, 2018**

**Submission Deadline - Friday, June 15, 2018**

There is magic here in this special place we call "Placitas." If you have that special gift of painting, find your favorite and most inspirational place and create that "magical" moment. It can be the Sandias, Cabezón, the sunset, cacti and coyotes, those special times when the moon shines bright over our town, or anything that captures the essence of "Placitas."

#### **SEPTEMBER ART EXHIBIT - "Beyond the Box"**

**Submissions begin - Tuesday, June 5, 2018**

**Submission Deadline - Friday, July 6, 2018**

Whether you think in-the-box or out-of-the-box, if you are an artist - you can re-imagine that box. Transform your own personal box and bring it to the library to inspire others. Any medium will do.

#### **OCTOBER ART EXHIBIT - "Art and Fashion... Upcycle Runway Style"**

**Submissions begin - Sunday, July 1, 2018**

**Submission Deadline - Friday, August 17, 2018**

This wearable art exhibit melds art and fashion, using the human form as part of an artistic fashion piece. The works for this show will reflect how to "upcycle" clothing for new looks. We are seeking artists that are interested in working with teams to create fashion and style from used clothing to create new style combinations. Models will be selected for a fashion show at the reception. Accessories (upcycled or not) for these selected styles to include hats, scarves, jewelry, handbags, etc. are needed for this exhibit.

#### **NOVEMBER ART EXHIBIT - The "Art" of the Written Word**

**Submissions begin - Wednesday, Aug 1, 2018**

**Submission Deadline - Friday, Sept 7, 2018**

Let's meet at the powerful intersection between art and letters - where each can help to convey and expand the thoughts, intentions, and hopes of the other. Perhaps it's a handmade greeting card adorned with watercolors or maybe one with an evocative photograph and saying; or maybe it's a framed poem with original artwork; or a handcrafted chapbook with musings, poems, and sketches or a handcrafted journal that makes room for such rescues of memories. What wonderfully meaningful and personal gifts these make - whether wrapped in an envelope or a frame. Added bonus: it's just in time for the holidays!

#### **DECEMBER ART EXHIBIT - "Passages"**

**Submissions begin - Saturday, Sept 1, 2018**

**Submission Deadline - Friday, Oct 5, 2018**

Through doors, windows, and other openings one perceives truth, memory, or perhaps, beauty. Sometimes we have but a fleeting glimpse, or maybe only a small crack opens, but there it is... unexpected, unbidden. Create works of art that seek truth, memory, and beauty.

All submission forms and detailed information can be found on the PCL website:

<http://placitaslibrary.com/library-activities/art-exhibits/artist-exhibit-submission-form/>

Address any questions to the Art Committee at [PCL.art.committee@gmail.com](mailto:PCL.art.committee@gmail.com)