

# Nature Art Showcase and Sale

Presented by Council on Greenways & Trails and Penn Soil RC&D Council

February 7 – 8, 2020

Next to Franklin on Ice

Barrow-Civic Theatre; 1223 Liberty Street, Franklin, PA

A goal of the event is to inspire local artists to produce art in their chosen medium that represents the natural and recreational assets of northwestern PA (specifically Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Mercer, Venango, Forest, and Warren Counties, PA). In showcasing your work, we hope to continue to build a community of artists and citizens passionate about these assets and create memories for visitors to take home.

Artists are to visit our parks, trails, waterways, forests and scenic overlooks. Be inspired and create. It doesn't have to be a mirror image portrayal but should represent accurately our natural and outdoor recreation assets. Our visitors have been asking for something to take home to remember their trip or to give as a gift.

## **Who can enter (Registration deadline is January 24, 2020):**

- Artists and artisans of all ages – but there will be no categories or levels. Students are encouraged to enter artwork. All pieces will be shown together.
- This includes those engaged in original creation or interpretation in the 2D or 3D visual arts such as painting, drawing, sculpture, installation/conceptual arts, fabric arts, photography, etc. or those engaged in the creation of original and distinctive one-of-a-kind article with a utilitarian purpose such as jewelry, wearable art, pottery, metal fabrication, and more. Contact Marilyn Black at CGT with any questions by telephone at (814) 677-3152 Ext. 105, or you may also E-mail questions to [pennsoilrcd@wconseruation.net](mailto:pennsoilrcd@wconseruation.net).
- One or two pieces may be entered. Pieces may be previously made but represent our region.

## **Entry requirements for Exhibition Days:**

- Artwork must be inspired by and represent the natural or outdoor recreational assets of Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Mercer, Venango, Forest, or Warren Counties.
- Must be appropriately mounted or framed for display.
- Must complete a registration label for each piece of artwork entered.
- Submit a short bio and contact information and a photo of each piece (.jpeg, 300 dpi) for the exhibition booklet.
- There is no entrance fee but CGT will retain 10% commission on the sale of any piece sold during the exhibition event.
- The public will vote for “People’s Choice” award.
- The Council on Greenways & Trails reserves the right not to allow a piece to be displayed.
- The exhibition event will be open to the public and pieces must be appropriate for all viewers.



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## **Delivery and pick-up of artwork:**

- Registered artists will bring your artwork to the event location (Friday afternoon, February 7 for delivery, 1:30 – 3 p.m.), Barrow-Civic Theatre; 1223 Liberty Street, Franklin, PA 16323.
- Registered artists or their authorized alternates may pick up unsold items at the Barrow on Sunday afternoon, February 9 between 2:15 – 3 p.m. at the same location.

## **Sale of Artwork:**

- Any queries about purchase of the artwork exhibited on event day will be directed to the artist and pricing is the responsibility of the artist including required taxes, etc.
- Proceeds from the sale of exhibition pieces are forwarded by the end of February to the artists except that CGT will retain a 10% commission of each sale.
- One central “cash register” payment location will be provided on site by CGT. Customers will be able to pay in cash, checks, PayPal, or via credit cards.

## **Event sponsors for the 2019 Nature Art Showcase included:**

- ARTS Oil City
- Venango Area Chamber of Commerce
- Barrow-Civic Theatre
- Oil Region Alliance of Business, Industry, & Tourism
- Penn Soil Resource Conservation & Development Council
- Chicken Coop Studio 306
- Clarion Chamber of Commerce & Industry
- ERNST Conservation Seeds
- Franklin Fine Arts Council
- Oil City Arts Council
- Titusville Council on the Arts
- Victorian City Art & Frame
- Council on Greenways & Trails
- Campbell’s Pottery Store
- Oil Region Coalition of Artists
- Titusville Area Chamber of Commerce

**Registration of Artwork, and design of the Exhibition Booklet:** These vital services are being provided this year by Sherry Moore and Wes Ramsey with the Penn Soil RC&D Council; please complete the registration forms, sign Waiver of Liability, and provide a good quality digital photo of each art item by January 24, 2020, so that they may include your information in the Exhibition Booklet!

For more information contact Penn Soil RC&D at [pennsoilred@wconconservation.net](mailto:pennsoilred@wconconservation.net) or (814) 726-1441

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