



**Art Studio on the Boulevard** is proud to present **The Artist's Muse**, a statewide juried exhibition November 9 - December 14, 2018. From the days of Greco-Roman mythology, the word "muse" referred to the goddesses of the artistic disciplines. These days, the word commonly refers to a person who is the source of an artist's inspiration. But inspiration doesn't always strike in the form of a particular person. Whether it is a certain song, color, plant, creature, idea, etc., we are fascinated by what compels artists to create. Art Studio on the Boulevard invites all 2D and 3D artists living in the state of Virginia to submit artwork for our inaugural juried competition. Over \$500 in prizes (cash and gift cards).

#### **JUROR: Clayton Singleton**

Clayton received his Bachelor's degree in Art Education from Virginia Wesleyan University in 1994, a Master's Degree in Education from Regent University 2002 and has been noted in many publications ranging from The Virginian-Pilot to Time magazine. In addition to helping rewrite Norfolk's art curriculum, Clayton resides as Department Chairman for the Visual and Performing Arts at Lake Taylor High School since 2008. Furthermore, serving as juror and judging several art exhibitions, Clayton served on The d'ART Center Board of Directors and Norfolk Arts Commission. He has created public art, won numerous art and teaching awards, including Best in Show and Teacher of the Year, published three books, produced solo and group exhibitions, and traveled the country speaking about the fusing of verbal and visual language. Recently, he was co-curator of NOW: African American Artists of Tidewater and has a touring exhibition Future Love Paradise. His work is held in multiple collections such as Dollar Tree Corporation, Charles H. Taylor Arts Center, Thomas Nelson Community College and J. Sargent Reynolds Community College. Currently he works from his studio in Norfolk, VA creating his latest series of drawings, paintings, and mixed-media artworks titled AFRO BLUE. He believes ART is EVERYWHERE and "everyone's an artist; we simply have to find what our art is."

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Sept 30	Competition Announcement
Oct 24	Deadline to receive entries by 11:59PM EST
Oct 25	Juror selection of artworks for show
Oct 27	Notifications sent to artists via email
Nov 3	Shipped works must be received by this date
Nov 3-4	Hand delivered art received 10:00am - 3:00pm
Nov 5-6	Exhibition installed
Nov 9	First day of exhibition
Nov 9	Reception & Awards ceremony 6-8:30 p.m.
Dec 14	Last day of exhibition
Dec 15-16	Artists must pick up work 10:00am - 3:00pm
By Dec 20	Shipped artworks returned

## **ENTRY FEE**

\$25.00 for up to 3 pieces per artist. Fee is non-refundable.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

The Artist's Muse Exhibition is open to all artists age 18+ living in the state of Virginia. Works must be no larger than 48 inches in any direction, including framing and hanging materials. Gallery management reserves the right to disqualify any works that exceed the size criteria. Due to the educational nature of the venue (many of our classes are for young, school-age artists), nudity in submitted artworks is discouraged, and works of a graphic or salacious nature may be disqualified. Entries must have been completed within the last two years. Limit of three entries per person, 2D or 3D. At this time we cannot accommodate video, performance, or installation artwork. Weight limitation is 40 pounds.

Works must be complete, stable, and dry to the touch. Wet, sticky and unstable works will not be accepted. Accepted artworks must be as represented in the images submitted. Works that have been modified will be refused. Images that have been enhanced and are not an accurate reflection of the work submitted may result in the artwork being refused.

## **SUBMISSION GUIDELINES**

Submission deadline is: October 24, 2018, 11:59PM EST.

Submissions must be made via email: **boulevardartgallery@gmail.com**, and Paypal is the preferred method of payment. You do not need a Paypal account in order to submit your entry fee. You may send a check to **Art Studio on the Boulevard, 3500 Virginia Beach Blvd, Gallery Suite 101, Virginia Beach, VA 23452**, but your submission will not be considered complete until payment is received. Submissions arriving after the deadline or without payment will not be accepted, no exceptions.

For 2D works, submit one JPG image per piece entered. For 3D works, submit two JPG images per piece entered, showing the artwork from different angles. To provide the best image, set pixel dimension to around 2000 pixels on the longest side. Each image file must be no more than 2 MB. Please take the time to provide the highest quality images possible as this is how the jury makes its initial decisions. Please label each JPG file as follows: LastName\_FirstName\_#1\_Title.jpg (or #2 or #3 as needed).

Please include the following in your email submission:

In subject line: The Artist's Muse Entry

First Name & Last Name

Artist Name if different from your legal name

Mailing Address, City, State, Zip

Phone number

Email address

Artwork #1: Title, year completed, medium, measurements

Artwork #2: Title, year completed, medium, measurements

Artwork #3: Title, year completed, medium, measurements

Please also include the note "PAYPAL" or "CHECK" to indicate how you paid for the entry fee.

Failure to follow these directions could disqualify your entry. Please take care to submit your artwork properly.

## **NOTIFICATION**

All artists will be notified via email by 5:00PM, October 27, 2018. Make sure you provide a working email address, and that your email account recognizes this address: **boulevardartgallery@gmail.com**.

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR SELECTED ARTWORKS**

Artworks must be ready to hang in a professional manner. If framed, the frame (including mats and glass if applicable) is clean, undamaged, and suitable to the artwork, and has d-rings and a wire for hanging on the reverse. It is preferably archival, and if it is a work on paper, it is protected by glass or plexiglass. Works that do not require a frame, such as gallery wrapped paintings, will come with d-rings and a wire on the back. Other media that is unsuitable to framing, such as wall hangings, will come ready to hang in a manner that does not require extra hardware and can be hung with a hammer and nails. Artworks that do not comply with our hanging standards will be refused and the submission fee will not be returned.

Accepted artworks dropped off or delivered late to the venue for hanging run the risk of being eliminated from the final jury review. No substitutions; please ensure that your entries will be available during the dates of the exhibition.

The submission fee is non-refundable, regardless of the jury's decision. Should you need to retract your artwork(s) the submission fee will not be refunded. Funds are used to pay the jury, gallery rental and advertising, and prize monies awarded.

## **INSURANCE**

Art Studio on the Boulevard will take all due care with all artworks received, but will not be responsible for any loss or damage to artworks whatsoever, however caused, while in its custody. Each entrant is responsible for maintaining his/her own insurance coverage.

## **SALES**

Art Studio on the Boulevard encourages sales of work and charges a 30% commission. If your work is not for sale please clearly mark NFS on your application.

By submitting to Art Studio on the Boulevard you agree to our Submission Guidelines.

## **ABOUT THE GALLERY**

Art Studio on the Boulevard is a full-service art studio located in Virginia Beach that provides fine art lessons, studio art classes, and multimedia workshops. The studio is owned and operated by Kim Barrigar-Harrell, who holds a Bachelors of Fine Arts and a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from William and Mary College. She has been teaching studio art and design since 1982 and has inspired countless students to explore their artistic potential. The new gallery is managed by Rowena F. Finn, a professional artist and instructor who holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts with a minor in Art History from James Madison University. Her paintings have been included in multiple juried exhibitions and publications for the past twenty years, including several awards. The recent addition of a fine art gallery allows us to further our mission of raising appreciation of the visual arts and talented artists throughout the state of Virginia.