



New Britain Youth Museum
At Hungerford Park



Summer Solstice Sculpture Walk at Hungerford Park Wind, Water, Wildlife

Friday, June 23, 2017

3:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

191 Farmington Avenue, Kensington, CT 06037



greater hartford
arts council

Juror: Greg Shea, Artist, Senior Museum Preparator, Yale Center for British Art*

A call for artists to apply to be part of this one-day, collaborative arts event that will take place on the grounds of The New Britain Youth Museum's Nature Center at Hungerford Park in Kensington. The unique and beautiful setting on the pond trail the day before the summer solstice, will be the location for artists working in sculpture, public art or 3 dimensional media, to feature a work based on this years' theme of Wind, Water and Wildlife. In collaboration with the Art League of New Britain, the Youth Museum is soliciting proposals from artists throughout Connecticut who wish, to participate in this juried show. In addition to the sculpture walk, we will be planning a full day of events, including a children's and youth art show, artist demonstrations, and a concluding awards reception. There will be an opportunity for artists to sell their work at a designated location on the grounds.

1st prize: \$750.00 plus a one person exhibit at a mutually agreed upon date at the Art League of New Britain
2nd Prize: \$500, 3rd Prize: \$250 Honorable Mention: \$100, Peoples Choice Award: Gift Certificate for Artists Materials

All submitted works must be constructed from materials that can withstand exposure to variable weather conditions. The works will be displayed in an unprotected, public area for one day only, so all submitted works must be structurally sound enough to withstand some handling, touching, and possible physical stress. There will be no security in place after the designated times for the event so all artists will have to arrange to place their artwork(s) before the show and pick up their work afterward. Work needs to be installed by Friday, June 23, 2017 at 3:00 and removed between 6:00 PM and 7:00 PM that day. We are not responsible for work left after the event.

All sculptures/ artwork must conform to the following criteria:

The subject matter of the work must reflect one or all of the themes of the show, Wind, Water and Wildlife
The subject matter must be suitable for children and families

Artists must submit a proposal describing their work by **June 16, 2017**, the proposal format is attached
The Event Committee reserves the right to reject any art work that does not meet the criteria

There is no size requirement, but artists must be able to transport and install their sculpture/ artwork in the selected location without assistance of heavy equipment or machinery

It is strongly recommended that artists visit the Hungerford site before submitting a proposal. Once your proposal has been accepted, site locations may be chosen on a first come first served basis

Artists will be notified by June 3rd if their proposal has been accepted.

Entry Fees: There is a non refundable, \$30 entry fee, \$20 for Art League or Museum Members, per sculpture and it must be submitted with your proposal Limit 3 pieces. Checks made payable to New Britain Youth Museum. Tables are available for artists that want to sell items

Liability: The The New Britain Youth Museum and /or The Art League of New Britain are not responsible for loss or damage to any Artwork

Contact: Donna Veach, at 860-225-3020 marketing @newbritainyouthmuseum.org
Paul Baylock 860-877-3839 contact@alnb.org or Art League 860-229-1484

Calendar:

- April 12th to June 16th Call for Proposals for Sculpture/Artwork (Artists visit site)
- May 20th – June 16th Event Committee will review proposals
- June 16th Artists will be notified of acceptance to show (Artists may choose location after this date)
- June 23rd By 3:00 PM Placement of Sculpture/ Artwork
 - 5:00 PM Judging
 - 3 PM-7 PM SculptureWalk and other event activities
 - 6:00-7:00 PM Reception and Awards
 - 6:00-7:00 PM Removal of sculpture/artwork

***About the juror –Greg Shea-Artist Statement**

Greg Shea is an award winning artist and craftsman with diverse creative interests including drawing and painting, portraiture, illustration, photography, relief printmaking, sculpture, calligraphy and illuminating, woodworking and custom furniture building, antique frame restoration, book making, carving, jewelry making and silversmithing, and many others. Early in life, he studied engineering, robotics, and drafting before deciding to pursue a career in art. He earned his BFA degree in Illustration from Syracuse University ('94), with minor studies in Metalsmithing and Medieval Studies.

For almost twenty years, Greg has worked at the Yale Center for British Art in New Haven, CT, where he is the Senior Museum Preparator. This has allowed him to utilize many of his skills and talents, and has constantly fueled his interests in the arts, art history and natural history, fabrication, conservation and restoration, and collecting. As Senior Preparator, he has been responsible for the safe handling and attractive display of countless objects, from priceless paintings, sculptures, works on paper and rare books, and other artifacts ranging from Catherine the Great's crown jewels, to Charles Darwin's collection of pigeon skulls. He is also responsible for most of the mount making and case fabrication related to exhibitions as well. In addition, Greg has taught classes and workshops at the museum and elsewhere on landscape watercolor painting in the English style for adults, drawing perspective for children, and relief printmaking. He has also given art lessons privately for several years.

Proposal Format Address All Proposals to :
Sculpture Show
New Britain Youth Museum at Hungerford Park
191 Farmington Avenue
Kensington, CT 06037

Please Include :

- Name, Address, email, website, telephone number
- Please describe your work in one page or less and how it fits into the theme of this show
- Include type of materials, size, and any special needs for mounting (you must supply all materials)
- Please include photographs of your work if they are available
- Artist will be informed of their selection by the committee by June 16th