



Dear Artist,

The Southwest Harbor Public Library will host a silent art auction *A Celebration of Art*. This year the benefit auction will take place for an expanded 7 weeks from **July 10 to August 30**. We extend an invitation to you as an artist to donate a unique piece of art for sale and hope you will consider participating in this important fundraiser for the library.

Art will be on public display in the library, either on the wall or in the locked display case from July 10th – August 30th unless sold via a “Buy it Now” (immediate purchase at full price). A bid sheet listing the title, medium, artist’s name with short bio and item description will accompany each piece. Registered bidders will be able to either “Buy it Now” or make a bid at any time during the auction. Winning bidders will be notified shortly after the auction closes on August 30th.

To participate, please fill out the enclosed page and **return by May 15th**. Please plan to **deliver your artwork to the library between June 21st - July 1**. The work **must be ready with method to be hung on the wall** unless it is a 3D object to be displayed in the glass display case.

Submission of a digital image of your art is appreciated and will help us advertise the auction via our website and in the brochure. If you have any questions, please contact any of the committee members at the following phone numbers or by using the e-mail pepper@echomdi.com.

All artwork will be available for the public to purchase via a “Buy it Now” option and/or in the tradition of a silent auction.

The “Buy it Now” option will allow the purchaser to pay for and take the art immediately for your determined fair market price. Artists will be contacted if a Buy it Now purchase of their artwork has taken place and are encouraged to submit a different 2nd piece of art.

In the tradition of a silent auction the artwork will be sold through bidding that will take place throughout the month. The highest bidder at the end of business hours on Wednesday, August 30th will win the piece.

Proceeds from your generous donation will go directly into supporting this year’s programs at the Southwest Harbor Public Library. **Please consider donating 100% of your artwork to the Library**. In recognition that this is not always possible, the Library will split the top bid price on your work 50/50 if you indicate this choice on the registration form.

There will be an artist reception and exhibition opening on Sunday, July 30th from 5:30 – 7 pm; we hope you will attend. We are grateful to you for considering this opportunity to support the library. If you have questions, please contact either Pepper or Candy. We look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,

A Celebration of Art Committee

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Participation Registration for A Celebration of Art
An Auction to benefit the Southwest Harbor Public Library

Name of artist: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Artist signature: _____

Please note, if submitting art that is not your own work print and sign the above form under the artist lines.

I wish to donate the piece of artwork described below to the *Celebration of Art Auction* to the benefit of the Southwest Harbor Public Library. I understand the artwork must be **ready to display** with method to hang on the wall of the Library. I will arrange to have the art delivered to the library between June 21 and July 1 and understand the artwork will be returned to me if it does not sell.

_____ 100% Donation to the Southwest Harbor Public Library for sale during the Art Auction

_____ I will share 50% of the selling price with the Library

Fair Market Value: _____ (bidding will start below Fair Market Value, "Buy it Now" will be offered at the Fair Market Value)

Do you require a reserve/starting bid?

Yes? Amount: _____

No? If blank, the library will use its discretion to start the bidding.

Description of artwork (**attach or e-mail a photo if possible**)

Title: _____

Height: _____ Width: _____ Media: _____

Please provide additional description:

Please submit a three sentence biography:

Please note, due to space limitations the Southwest Harbor Public Library cannot guarantee participation for all submitting artists. Return this by May 15, 2017. Thank you!

Mail to: Southwest Harbor Public Library, PO Box 157, Southwest Harbor, Maine 04679
Or E-mail to: pepper@echomdi.com