



The XL-XS Show

The Maryland Federation of Art (MFA) invites all artists residing in the United States, Puerto Rico and Canada to enter its fine art open-juried competition for artists working in large and small formats. Any two dimensional submissions following exhibition guidelines will be considered by the juror. The selected artworks will be on exhibit at *The Art Gallery*, University of Maryland, College Park, by invitation to MFA from June 24 through August 5, 2012. The exhibition chair is David Diaz.

Images L-R: Cecily B. Firestein 58x48 (Art on Paper 2007), Kathy Ferrari, 3 3/4x2 1/4 (Small Wonders 2011)

JUROR:

Barry Nemett, Chair of the Painting Department at Maryland Institute College of Art, studied at the Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, received his BFA at Pratt Institute and his MFA at Yale University. His art publications include *Images, Objects, and Ideas: Viewing the Visual Arts*, (McGraw-Hill, 1992). In addition to some of his published articles in *Arts Magazine*; *Museum & Arts: Washington*; *New Art Examiner* and *Washington Review*, he has written many artist catalogue essays. Professor Nemett has exhibited his own work at the National Academy Museum; Museum of Art; Rochefort-en-Terre, France; Aichi Prefectural Museum of Art, Japan; Baltimore Museum of Art; Delaware Museum of Art, Institute of International Education; Andre Zarre Gallery, NYC and Atlanta College of Art among others.

ENTRY

Beginning Feb. 10, *The XL-Xs Show*, sponsored by the Maryland Federation of Art, may be entered by uploading JPEG images through our on-line entry system at: www.mdfedart.org

- **Selection:** 1. Selections for exhibition are made by the juror from JPEG images. 2. Final acceptance is made by juror from delivered work. 3. Awards are designated by the juror.
- **Entries:** Only 2-D works accepted. Measure works carefully before entry. To qualify:
 1. Large works may not be smaller than 4 feet (48") in any direction and may not exceed 8 feet (96") in any direction. If works are framed, these measurements **must** include outside edges of the frame. No exceptions. Small works may be smaller, but cannot exceed 12" in any direction; if works are framed, measurements **must** include outside edges of the frame. No exceptions.
 2. All work must be priced for sale or marked POR (price on request). Works previously exhibited in a juried show at MFA Circle Gallery are not eligible.
 3. Submit one JPEG image per piece entered, or as allowed. The image should be no greater than 2.0 MB with the longest pixel dimension about 2000 pixels.
- **Entry Fees:** A maximum of 6 *original* works created within the past 3 years may be entered. 1 or 2 entries \$35 (MFA members \$20). Additional four entries \$5 each. Entry fees are non-refundable.
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AWARDS

Cash awards total \$1000. Award contributors and recipients will be listed in the exhibition catalog.

NOTIFICATION

All artist will receive notice by email. A list of accepted artists and artwork will be posted on MFA's website. Please set your email account to recognize this address: info@mdfedart.org.

EXHIBITION AND DELIVERY

Entering this exhibition shall constitute understanding and agreement on the part of the artist with the conditions stated.

1. Measure to ensure work meets size limitations before delivery, include outer edges of frames. Work not in compliance will not be exhibited. No exceptions.
2. Attach label to back with name, title, medium and price.
3. No clip frames or taped edges accepted. Work must be presented in a manner appropriate to the artwork and be equipped for installation. Works requiring a barrier must use Plexiglas on all shipped work, and on hand-delivered work over 24"x30". See website for complete guidelines.
4. **All shipped work must include a bar-coded shipping label. Do not send by USPS.** We prefer UPS but accept FedEx. Please do not send with shipping peanuts.
5. **Work must arrive on scheduled dates.**

- Images of accepted works may be used at the sole discretion of MFA for promotional purposes including but not limited to the invitation, catalog, web site, or on subsequent years' prospectus. Image will include attribution wherever possible.
- The MFA will retain 30% from sales.
- Work cannot be withdrawn before end of exhibit.

LIABILITY

Artwork and entry materials will be handled with all possible care. MFA will not be responsible or liable for loss or damage from any cause whatsoever. Insurance, if desired, must be carried by the artist.

IMPORTANT: Artwork must be picked up on August 6, 7 or 8. There is no storage facility to accommodate late pick up. Works not picked up will become the property of MFA.

SCHEDULE

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| Feb. | 10 | On-line entry open for submissions |
| April | 18 | Deadline for entry submission |
| By May | 18 | Notifications are sent by email |
| June 11 - 15 | | Shipped and hand-delivered work must arrive at the Art Gallery 1202 Art Sociology Building, University of MD, College Park, 20742 |
| June | 24 | 11-5 p.m. First day of exhibition. |
| June | 29 | 6-8 p.m. Reception at The Art Gallery, Awards presented at 7:00 p.m. |
| August 6 - 8 | | 11-4 p.m. Pick up hand-delivered work at The Art Gallery. There is no storage facility to accommodate late pick up. Work not picked up will become the property of MFA. |

By August 10 Shipped work will be sent.

The Art Gallery hours: 11-5 Tuesday-Sunday
MFA Circle Gallery hours: 11-5 Tuesday-Sunday
 Telephone Voice/TTD: 410-268-4566
 Exhibition email: xlxsshow@mdfedart.org
 MFA Circle Gallery: info@mdfedart.org
 MD Relay: 1-800-735-2258
 Fax: 410-268-4570
 Web Site: www.mdfedart.org
 Accessible to people with disabilities.

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Membership: Celebrating forty-nine years. For membership and exhibition information, please use entry form below or visit our web site. The MFA is a non-profit 501(c)3 art organization supported by individual, corporate, and public sector contributions.



MARYLAND FEDERATION OF ART
 18 State Circle, Annapolis MD, 21401

Artist Membership 2012: Basic Annual Dues: 1 yr. \$60 2 yrs. \$110 save \$10 3 yrs. \$150 save \$30

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Membership and Exhibition Opportunities: You may also join online during the entry process.

- On-site exhibit spaces (Main & Holley Galleries) • Member-only juried exhibitions (four-all media; jury from actual work; cash awards) • Solo & group opportunities
 - Reduced entry fees for nationally-open and regional juried competitions • Download entry forms on web site or receive hard-copy
 - Submit .jpeg images through an on-line entry system at www.mdfedart.org, as specified
- **2012 open-juried opportunities** (cash awards): **Art on Paper** (works on paper) • **Focal Point** (all photography) • **XL-XS Show** (2-D works exhibited at University of MD)
Fiber Options (all fiber) • **American Landscapes** (all media) • **Strokes of Genius** (all painting) • **Small Wonders** (all media, small works)
- May apply for Holley Gallery solo exhibition & MFA alternative exhibition sites • Invitations to exhibitions • Your link listed on MFA web site • Weekly Member Memo

Access MFA's web site www.mdfedart.org for expanded membership form, exhibition calendar, guidelines and awards information.

MFA Circle Gallery • 2012 Exhibitions Schedule

18 State Circle, Annapolis MD, 21401

***Member-juried all media schedule** (Expanded schedule posted by email in Member Memo)

Jan. 7 - Jan. 29: The Winter Show • ***April 27 - May 20: The Spring Show: Basis Elements - Earth Wind, Fire & Water**, non-juried
June 22 - July 15: The Summer Show • **Sept. 21 - Oct. 14: The Fall Show**

Open-juried schedule (Entry details at www.mdfedart.org)

Mar. 22 - April 22: Art on Paper (work on or of paper) Entry deadline 1/11; Notification by 2/17
May 25 - June 16: Focal Point (all photography). Entry deadline 3/14; Notification by 4/12
June 24 - Aug. 5: XL-XS Show (2-D works exhibited at University of MD, College Park) Entry deadline 4/18; Notification 5/18
July 19 - Aug. 11: Fiber Options (all fiber), Entry deadline 5/9; Notification by 6/7
Aug. 17 - Sept. 16: 12th Annual American Landscapes (all media) Entry deadline 6/13; Notification by 7/13
Nov. 2 - Nov. 24: Strokes of Genius (all painting). Entry deadline 8/22; Notification by 9/20
Nov. 30 - Dec. 29: Small Wonders (all media, small works). Entry deadline 9/12; Notification by 10/11
March 29 - April 28, 2013: 36th annual Art on Paper (work on or of paper). Entry deadline 1/23; Notification by 2/22

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