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HARTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY ACCEPTING SUBMISSIONS FOR 2023-24 ARTWALK SHOWS

Artists must submit by Dec. 1, 2022, for consideration

(Hartford, CT) – Hartford Public Library is seeking submissions for the 2023-24 season of exhibitions on its ArtWalk gallery at the Downtown Library.

A jury will select up to four artists for the season, which is scheduled to begin in the fall of 2023. Submissions are due **Dec. 1, 2022**, and can be made electronically by visiting bit.ly/HPLartwalk

Artists working in all media are encouraged to apply and group shows will be considered. Those who live and/or work in the Greater Hartford area will be given priority. Students, emerging or established artists are all eligible.

Submissions must include eight to 12 images of recent and/or current work, or the work specifically being proposed for the ArtWalk exhibition. The images should be accompanied by a list that includes the titles of the work, dimensions, medium and year. Also required is a written description of the proposed exhibition, with a brief artist's statement and a current resume or bio. Physical portfolios and artist packets cannot be accepted.

Artists selected to exhibit their work on the ArtWalk will be notified no later than the end of January. Those selected will receive a solo exhibition, marketing support, an opening night reception, an artist stipend and an opportunity to present related programming at the library during the run of the exhibition.

For more information, including the layout of the gallery space, visit www.hplct.org/classes-seminars-exhibits/artwalk/submission-guidelines

The 2022-23 season of the ArtWalk will open with a reception on **Friday, Sept. 16**, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Downtown Library (500 Main St., Hartford, CT 06103) in conjunction with an exhibition of paintings by Brigid Kennedy that were created in response to rising global social/political turmoil during the COVID-19 pandemic.

About the ArtWalk

ArtWalk at Hartford Public Library offers one of the largest and most stunning exhibition spaces in Greater Hartford and the opportunity for visitors to view art in a magnificent setting in their

own community. The state-of-the art gallery rises above Main Street along a glass wall that floods the space with ambient light during the day and appears to glow as a jewel box at night. Exhibitions will offer an array of art experiences that reflect a variety of media, styles, and cultures in the art world, providing diverse viewing experiences, and allowing for many tastes. Art work is displayed on “floating” wall sections that allow the visitor to discover each piece while never seeing the whole exhibition from one vantage point. Because of the unusual cable system in place, one of the most unique aspects of the ArtWalk is that any wall and lighting configuration or arrangement can change with the nature of every new exhibition. The gallery was made possible through the generosity of donors to the Library’s completed Capital Campaign, especially the Beatrice Fox Auerbach Foundation Fund at the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving.

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About Hartford Public Library

With roots dating to 1774, Hartford Public Library remains at the forefront of redefining the urban library experience in the 21st century. With seven locations throughout the city, the library provides education, intellectual enrichment and cultural development for thousands of children, youth and adults every year. Hartford Public Library has also gained local and national recognition for its wide range of new initiatives and partnerships designed to meet the needs of a diverse and dynamic city and region, including immigration services, employment assistance and youth leadership training. www.hplct.org.