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2025 SIXTH ANNUAL PUBLIC ARTEXHIBIT *Spellbound: Art, Poetry and the Enchantment of Reading*

Application Instructions and Exhibit Information

Sunday August 3 from 1:00 to 5:00 PM

Set Up: 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon

Open to Public: 1:00 to 5:00 PM

Take Down: 5:00 to 6:00 PM

Please **email** the following info to: artsatclark@bethanylibrary.org

In subject line of email: please write: "For Sixth Annual Public Art Exhibit"

In body of email: please provide the following info:

1. **Your Name**, full address, home and cell phone number, email address, & name of website and instagram (if you have one). (If exhibiting or collaborating as 2 people or as a group, provide **all** names, addresses, phone, emails, etc.)
2. **Your Proposal and Description of Installation or Artwork**

Describe the Installation/Artwork: Subject matter, medium, approximate size, plus approximately how much space you need for your exhibit.

For Visual Artists: Describe the Installation/Artwork: Subject matter, medium, approximate size, plus approximately how much space you need for your exhibit.

For writers and Poets: Describe your work: poetry, creative writing, spoken word, and what you might display, for example: chapbooks, books of poetry, zines, plus how much room you will need to exhibit. If you would like to participate in a poetry reading during the day's events please indicate in your proposal.

Also, if you would like a display panel, see below under Additional Info.

As attachment(s) to email: (Optional): Please send up to 3 JPG images or photos. On each attachment, please include your name, title of piece, and medium.

DEADLINE: June 20, 2025

Additional info: Artists must provide own easels or supports for artwork, sculpture or installation, tables (limit 1 long table or 2 smaller tables), chair, sun umbrella, etc. There are a number of trees that may be used to hang items (with Arts Committee approval) from trees (such as quilts or hanging sculptures) as long as no damage occurs. Please feel free to stop by the library to see the grounds and let us know if you want a particular tree(s).

Numbered signs with your name will be provided and stuck in the ground next to your spot.

We hope to be able to provide at least one side of a 3' wide x 6' high metal mesh panel for hanging your artwork for artists who request it. Hooks will be provided. More info as we get closer to the date.

Much of the grounds will be in the shade, but if you have a canopy tent for yourself or one large enough to share, **please let us know.**

Parking: Artists will be able to park at the Library for set-up and take down, but during the exhibit all cars must park off grounds at the church or historical society parking lot a short distance up the street.

There will also be no public parking at the library during the exhibit. Visitors will be able to wander safely all over the Library grounds to view exhibits and interact with artists.

FREE: There will be **no entry fees or sales commissions** paid to the Library.

This event is for the benefit of the Bethany community and an opportunity for artists to share their creativity with the public. Artwork displayed must be appropriate for families and children of all ages. There will be activities for children. If you have a small project or demonstration to propose for either children or adults, **please let us know.**

In applying for and participating in this exhibit you agree that any photos, images or videos of you and/or your artwork may be used by the Clark Memorial Library for publicity purposes.

You also agree that the Clark Memorial Library, the Bethany Library Association, Inc and the Town of Bethany are not responsible to loss or damage incurred while setting up, displaying or taking down of artwork.

Questions? Call the Library **203 393-2103** or email artsatclark@bethanylibrary.org.