

# Community MATTERS



## CALL FOR ENTRIES

Registration Deadline Extended:

October 26, 2022



**A visual celebration of our diverse communities**

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### SUMMARY PROSPECTUS

***Community Matters*** – An Open, Juried Regional Exhibition

Seeking large, inspirational, and community-focused artwork to potentially become part of a permanent collection in the regional headquarters of a national member association and service organization. The focus is on artwork that

connects, celebrates, and values a culturally diverse community who work together, share ideas, and help others (examples below).

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, October 26, 2022

Exhibition Dates: Saturday, December 10, 2022 – Saturday, January 14, 2023

Location: Art League RI Community Gallery at 80 Fountain Street, Pawtucket, RI 02860

**All applicants for this Call for Entry must register through Call for Entry.org (CaFE) at [https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals\\_unique\\_info.php?ID=10677](https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=10677)**

**Please read this prospectus carefully and only consider submitting work if you are certain you can comply with the requirements and timetable outlined in this document. By submitting artwork to this Call for Entry, and if your work is selected for this exhibition, you agree to exhibit your work from December 10, 2022, through January 14, 2023.**

## **Prospectus**

In partnership with Art League RI, AAA Northeast is looking to purchase artwork for its newly renovated, modern headquarters building located in Providence, RI. The redesigned facility has created welcoming spaces where people can work together, share ideas, and build community, and this exhibition is part of AAA's initiative to populate this new office with representative artworks.

AAA Northeast is one of the largest and most innovative not-for-profit organizations, providing advocacy on behalf of all motorists, as well as many specialized services – such as automotive services, insurance, financial services, and travel – for the benefit of its members. AAA Northeast is comprised of over 3,200 employees across more than 70 locations. They serve 6.2 million members across Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, and New Hampshire.

As part of the organization's diversity, equity and inclusion initiative, the focal point of this call for art is "Community Matters." AAA Northeast is seeking artwork that celebrates the cultural and ethnic diversity of its employees and the populations it serves throughout its regional footprint. Its regional footprint is comprised of the states noted above. A few examples of potential themes could be the gathering of family and friends, scenes of festivals which celebrate traditions, neighborhood scenes and architecture, crowd photography that highlights a community, etc.

Helping and serving the community is a way of life at AAA Northeast and is one of its primary value statements. More than just words, it is an essential quality exemplified by the varied, impactful work employees perform daily. Ideally, the work of local artists within AAA Northeast's regional footprint will submit work that will enliven the space and reflect the communities served.

### **Selection Process and Exhibition**

AAA representatives and a member of Art League RI's Board of Directors will select work to be invited to the "Community Matters" Exhibition to be held at Art League RI's Community Gallery at 80 Fountain Street, Pawtucket, RI.

Prior to the exhibition opening, AAA representatives will tour the exhibition and select work to be purchased for their permanent collection.

Artwork that is not selected for AAA's permanent collection will be posted for sale on Art League RI's e-commerce website.

The artwork purchased by AAA will be permanently displayed in the "Help & Serve" boardroom, which features high-quality modern equipment and furniture, or in nearby hallways. (See "View Site Details" in the Call for Entry for images of the space.) The boardroom is a space where innovative decisions are made that affect all areas of the business and the communities served.

**Sales & Commissions:** Sales are encouraged, and all work must be for sale. No work may be listed as Price on Request (POR). Prices provided by the artist should reflect the 30% (members), 40% (non-members) commission taken by ALRI on all artworks sold. Artists will be paid their 70% (members), 60% (non-members) percentage of the sale by ALRI within 30 calendar days after the exhibition closes.

### **IMPORTANT TIMELINE DATES:**

**Exhibition at the Community Gallery at 80 Fountain Street:** Saturday, December 10, 2022 – Saturday, January 14, 2023

**Opening Reception at Art League RI Gallery:** TBD

**Registration Deadline:** Wednesday, October 26, 2022

**Notification of Acceptance:** On or before Wednesday, November 9, 2022, via email from CaFE. IMPORTANT: If you have not received an email notification by the end of the day on November 9, please check your Span folder or contact Art League RI at [office@artleagueri.org](mailto:office@artleagueri.org)

**In-person Drop Off at Art League RI Gallery:** Friday, December 2, 2022, from noon to 4:00 pm & Saturday, December 3, 2022, from noon – 4:00 pm. Appointment times for drop off will be required and coordinated by Art League RI.

**Shipped Artwork:** The address for shipped artwork is: The UPS Store #504, Attn: Art League RI, 1643 Warwick Avenue, Warwick, RI 02889 Phone: 401-738-4612

Shipped artwork must be received by the UPS Store no later than Tuesday, November 29, 2022

**Selection Committee:** AAA Northeast employees, members of its DEI Council and an Art League RI Board Member will select artwork to be purchased and permanently installed in their headquarters located at 110 Royal Little Drive, Providence, Rhode Island 02904.

**Eligibility:** Any artist who is at least 18 years or older may participate to the extent that their participation is allowed by law. Participating artists should work and/or reside in one of AAA Northeast's footprint states, which are Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, and New Hampshire.

**Artwork:** All 2D media is eligible, including photography and digital art. New and existing artwork may be submitted, and all work must be original. Work found to be copied from copyrighted work will not be hung. Reprints are not permitted. All work must be exhibition ready to install with the appropriate hardware. No saw-tooth hangers or clips. Work that does not adhere to the guidelines or is deemed not to be a faithful representation of the image submitted will not be exhibited. Artwork must be appropriate for viewers of all ages.

Large works on paper or canvas are encouraged. Given the size and scale of the boardroom and hallways, the minimum size for artwork submitted to this Call for Entry is 16" x 20" including the frame. Artists may have multiple pieces (diptych, triptych, etc.) to make up one work. All work accepted for this exhibition must be framed, sealed, secured and ready to be installed in a permanent collection.

**Room Dimensions and Space:** The "Help & Serve" boardroom is approximately 40' in length and 27' in width. The lower portion of the boardroom walls feature a bamboo wainscoting. The height from the top of the wainscoting to the ceiling is 116" (9'8"). Please see the attached images of the boardroom and hallways.

**Submittal Fee:** Art League RI members may submit up to 3 pieces for \$35. Art League members can request a discount code by emailing [office@artleagueri.org](mailto:office@artleagueri.org).

Non-members may submit up to 3 pieces for \$45. All CaFE fees are non-refundable and must be paid by credit/debit card. Payment of those fees indicates the acknowledgement of the terms and conditions of the exhibition.

**In-Person Delivery of Accepted Work:** All in-person deliveries will be made on Friday, December 2, 2022, between noon and 4:00 pm & Saturday, December 3 2022, between noon – 4:00 pm at 80 Fountain Street, Suite 107A, Pawtucket, RI 02860. Parking and entrance to the building is on the Middle Street side of the building, not the Fountain Street side.

Please DO NOT use Styrofoam peanuts or their equivalents in packing. Accepted work MUST remain in the Gallery for the duration of the exhibit.

**Shipment of Accepted Work:** Shipped deliveries must arrive at a designated UPS facility in Rhode Island no later than Tuesday, November 29, 2022. **Specific instructions will be communicated via a separate e-mail to those artists whose work is accepted.** Please make sure that the box and materials that you use will protect your work and DO NOT use Styrofoam peanuts or their equivalents in packing.

**Handling Fee:** A \$15 ALRI handling fee will be required for each box shipped. Artists whose work is accepted and ship their work will be billed separately via email. The handling fee must be paid in advance. **Art League RI reserves the right to disqualify juried artwork if the handling fee is not paid before the opening of the exhibition.**

**Liability - Legal Agreement & Participant's Waiver:** Submission of work automatically waives any claim for damage or loss against ALRI, 80 Fountain Street Gallery or AAA Northeast, including the officers, members, and employees. ALRI will exercise reasonable care in handling all entries but will not assume any liability for loss or damage while in ALRI's possession. The artist should independently insure work.

**Usage Rights:** The artist retains all copyright interests or claims that they have in their art. By submitting images, you give ALRI the right to use and reproduce the images to market and document the exhibition, and to enable the image to be part of an online exhibition. Artist's recognition is provided with any use. ALRI reserves the right to adjust any deadline(s) as the result of causes beyond its immediate control. Payment of the submission fee indicates acknowledgement of all terms and conditions.

**Artwork Pickup:** Participating artists who delivered their art in person will pick it up at ALRI's Gallery at 80 Fountain Street, Suite 107A, Pawtucket, RI 02860.

**Return of Shipped Artwork:** Those who shipped their artwork will have it returned to them via The UPS Store #504, 1643 Warwick Avenue, Warwick, RI 02889. The UPS Store will contact you a few days after the close of the exhibition.

UPS Store #504 Phone: 401-738-4612

UPS Store #504 Website: [https://locations.theupsstore.com/ri/warwick/1643-warwick-ave?utm\\_source=Yext&utm\\_medium=organic&utm\\_campaign=Listings](https://locations.theupsstore.com/ri/warwick/1643-warwick-ave?utm_source=Yext&utm_medium=organic&utm_campaign=Listings)

UPS Store #504 Email: [store0504@theupsstore.com](mailto:store0504@theupsstore.com)

The UPS Store will contact the artist directly to arrange shipping and collect shipping costs.

**IMPORTANT**

If ALRI, UPS, or other carrier determines that the original packaging is not adequate to safely ship the art back to the artist, the UPS Store will contact the artist. The artist must notify ALRI in writing of any changes in their contact information, or their intended place or time of return of their art, prior to the end of the exhibition. The artist is solely responsible for any time, materials, storage, shipment, or other charges that may arise from inadequate packaging, delayed or redirected shipments, nonresponse of the artist, or any other artist requests. All additional charges must be paid prior to the return of the art.