



MacRostie Art Center

WE ARE ALL CRIMINALS – CALL FOR ART

In September 2017, MacRostie Art Center (macrostieartcenter.org) and its organizational partners will present “We Are All Criminals,” a series of programs that seeks to challenge society’s perception of criminal records and what it means to be a criminal. The programs will include art exhibits, presentations, theater performances, and educational displays that emphasize personal stories of crime, privilege, justice, and injustice to inspire empathy and ignite social change.

We are seeking artwork to display as part of this project, and invite submissions in visual art and writing from individuals who have been or are currently incarcerated. Each artist may submit 1 or 2 pieces. **Submissions are due May 31, 2017.**

All submissions will be reviewed, and selected artworks will be exhibited in galleries and community venues throughout Grand Rapids, MN, during the month of September 2017. If you are interested in submitting your work, please read the following guidelines:

- **Sizing:** Due to space limitations, art pieces must be two-dimensional and must not exceed 24” x 36.” Written works must not exceed two pages.
- **Information:** Please include your full name, how you would like your name listed publicly, location and dates of incarceration, the title of your piece (if any), size, and medium with your submission as well as an artist statement.
- **Artist statements:** Please submit a short description, artist bio, and/or quote relevant to the piece created. (no more than 2 pages total)
- **File type:** All artwork must be submitted electronically in JPEG form (visual art) or PDF/Word format (writing).
- **Sale of work:** Artwork may be listed for sale. Please mark any work you wish to sell with the price you would like to receive for the piece.

How to Submit:

To submit your artwork for the 2017 We Are All Criminals project, please email katie@macrostieartcenter.org with your artist statement, your contact info, and attached digital files of the artwork. Please put “WAAC submission” as the subject heading. The deadline to submit is May 31, 2017.

Selection Process:

Artists will be notified by June 30, 2017 if their work has been accepted. We will provide information about how to deliver or ship your work to MacRostie Art Center at no cost to you. Selected artworks will be due by July 31, 2017 and will be displayed September 1 – 30, 2017. All artists who submit work will be notified of the dates, times, and locations of the exhibited artwork and community events related to the project.

MacRostie Art Center will handle all sales of artwork and pay artists. Artist’s prices will be marked up for our standard 40% commission. Unsold or not for sale artwork will be available for pick-up or returned at no cost to you after September 30, 2017.

Questions/More Information: Katie Marshall, 218-326-2697, katie@macrostieartcenter.org