

"Expressions" A Portrait Competition and Exhibit

September 29 - October 25, 2009
AT ARTSPACE HERNDON GALLERY
750 CENTER STREET, HERNDON,
VA 20170
WWW.ARTSPACEHERNDON.ORG

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Awards and Prizes

First Place - \$500
Second Place \$200
Third Place \$100
Other Honors and Awards

Eligibility: Artists 18 years or older residing in Maryland, Virginia, or the District of Columbia. All work entered must be original 2-D or 3-D portraiture. No photography, electronic/ computer generated art or reproductions. No nudes.

Finalists Selection: Up to 20 finalists will be selected to exhibit their work at ArtSpace. All artwork submitted must be available for display. Judging of finalists will be based on images submitted. Images must represent the actual work to be exhibited. Artists are prohibited from submitting artwork where the source material is copyrighted. ArtSpace has the right to refuse to exhibit artwork that it deems unacceptable or fails to resemble the images submitted.

Submissions: Submit up to two pieces of art for consideration by sending a high quality photograph or jpeg file for each piece. Artists are encouraged to send a bio with their submission. If selected to exhibit, ArtSpace requests an electronic image of your work for possible display on the website

- **Mail submissions:** Label the back of each photograph with the artist's first and last name, title, medium, size (with frame). Send only one photograph of each work. Photos may be picked up at ArtSpace during October 2009. ArtSpace will not mail back photographs.
- **Email submissions:** Jpeg files must not exceed 5MB. Label each file with your first and last name, title, medium, size (with frame): (Example: jane_doe_portraitofsusan_oil_20x30). Only one image per work. Frames should not be visible in the images submitted. Email submissions to: rcarroll@artspaceherndon.com. The subject line must read: "Expressions Competition Submission (your name)" (Ex: "Expressions Competition Submission Jane Doe").

Judging: Finalists will be selected by jurors Gail Roberts and Henry Wingate. Award recipients will be selected by Robert Johnson. Awards will be presented at the opening reception.

Entry Fees and Requirements: \$15 for up to two images. Each entry must be accompanied by the images, an official entry form, legal-size self addressed stamped envelope (SASE) or email address, and payment. Entry fees may be paid using VISA or Mastercard, check, or money order made payable to "Herndon Foundation for the Cultural Arts." You may submit credit card information electronically on the entry form or separately via mail or phone. Entry fees are non-refundable unless the competition is cancelled.

- **Via Mail:** Mail photos, official entry form, payment and SASE to: P.O. Box 916, Herndon, VA 20172-0916. **Mailed entries must be postmarked by August 17.**
 - **Via Email:** Email images and entry form to: rcarroll@artspaceherndon.com. **Email entries must be sent by 5pm on August 17.**
- All materials, including payment, must be received on or postmarked by August 17.**

Selection Notification: Artists who submit their entries by mail will be notified by mail. Artists who submit their entries by email will be notified by email.

Framing: All entries must be suitably framed and wired for hanging (no clips or saw-tooth hangers). Works on paper must be framed and glazed (Plexiglas recommended). Artwork may not exceed 72" in any direction and must weigh less than 40 pounds (framed).

Delivery: Artwork should be delivered and picked up in person to/from ArtSpace according to the scheduled dates and times. A \$5 per day storage fee is imposed for items that are not picked up on time.

Shipping: Out of town artists may make special arrangements with ArtSpace to ship artwork less than 36" in any direction and weighing less than 20 pounds. A separate packing/repacking fee applies. Contact Robin Carroll at ArtSpace at (703)956-6590 or email: rcarroll@artspaceherndon.com.

Sales: Artwork need not be for sale, but must be available for display for the entire exhibit. ArtSpace charges a 25% commission on works sold. ArtSpace collects and pays sales tax for the artist. Therefore, exhibiting artists must complete an IRS W-9 form prior to the exhibit. Finalists will be sent additional instructions.

Rights: The artist grants ArtSpace Herndon, Herndon Foundation for the Cultural Arts, and Council for the Arts of Herndon the right to photograph and use images of artwork featured in the exhibit for educational and promotional purposes.

Liability: Artwork displayed in ArtSpace will be exhibited at the artist's own risk. Artists should insure their artwork. ArtSpace Herndon, Herndon Foundation for the Cultural Arts and Council for the Arts of Herndon and/or its employees and volunteers are not liable for theft or damage to artwork in transit, on display or otherwise at ArtSpace Herndon or for theft of or damage to proceeds from sales.

Cancellation: If ArtSpace Herndon deems the pool of entrants insufficient, the competition will be cancelled and entry fees will be returned to the artist.

Agreement: By entering the competition, artists agree to abide by all contest rules and to hold ArtSpace Herndon, Herndon Foundation for the Cultural Arts and Council for the Arts of Herndon, and its employees and volunteers harmless. Failure to comply with these rules constitutes withdrawal from the competition.

Competition Deadlines

August 17: Entry Deadline
September 1: Jury Selection Notifications Sent
September 26-27: Finalists Drop-off Artwork:
Saturday 10am-2pm EDT
Sunday 1pm -4pm EDT
Sept. 29 – Oct 25: Gallery Exhibit
October 3: 7:00 pm Reception & Awards
October 25: Exhibition Closes
October 25-26: Pick-up Artwork
Sunday 3pm-7pm EDT
Monday 11am-4pm EDT

Awards Judge

Robert Johnson received his training in painting and drawing from the Art Student's League of New York where he remains a life member. He has shown widely in galleries throughout the US, and has had nineteen one man gallery shows. He has taught at the Art Student's League, Scottsdale Artists School, Fredericksburg Texas Artists School, The Art League School of Alexandria and other art schools and private workshops. His book, "On becoming a Painter," is a popular reference for collectors, artists and students. His awards include: First place in the "Artist Magazine" national competition and first prize in the National Competition at the Salmagundi Club in NY. He is a recent recipient of the 2009 American Art Collectors Magazine \$14,000 Award of Excellence in the Oil Painters of America national competition in Santa Fe, NM. He has served as Awards Juror of the Artists Professional League at the Salmagundi Club, the T. Lorillard Wolf National Juried Show at the National Arts Club in NY, as well as, local juried shows. www.robertjohnsonart.com

Jurors

Gail Roberts is the owner and director of Ayr Hill Gallery (www.ayrhillgallery.com). She received her Bachelors degree in Art History and Masters of Public Administration from George Mason University. Ms. Roberts worked previously at the National Gallery of Art, Smithsonian Archives of American Art, and National Museum of American Art, and also as an art consultant.

Henry Wingate began his training as a painter at age 28 after serving six years as a pilot in the Navy. He studied with Paul Ingbretson for five years in the Ingbretson Atelier and then with Charles Cecil, in Florence, Italy. He has won numerous awards, including First Prize in the American Society of Portrait Artists 2000 competition, the Gold Medal of Honor at the 2003 Hudson Valley Art Association annual exhibition, and the Best Painting from Life Award of the National Oil & Acrylic Painters' Society in 2003. His work was featured in the 2006 issue of Portrait Highlights and as the cover article in the November, 2002, issue of American Artist. <http://henrywingate.com>.

About ArtSpace Herndon

ArtSpace Herndon is an art gallery created and supported by the Herndon Foundation for the Cultural Arts. ArtSpace Herndon has a 1,700 sq. foot art gallery and two classrooms for art classes and small group sessions. It's a gathering place to celebrate the arts, showcasing artwork and events by local, regional, and nationally known artists and performers. ArtSpace is also available to rent for private receptions and business gatherings. ArtSpace Herndon is staffed by volunteers and supported by grants and donations. It relies on the generous support of citizens, businesses and organizations. To learn more, visit www.ArtSpaceHerndon.org or call (703)956-6590.