

2020 Visions & Voices

Art Exchange

In support of Fort Vancouver Regional Libraries' mission to strengthen communities through knowledge, experiences and creativity, Vancouver Community Library presents Visions & Voices, a creative Art Exchange.

We invite Creative Writers & Visual Artists to submit original works, and in turn create response pieces to an anonymous original work assigned to them. This exhibit will showcase Vancouver's artists and creative writers ranging from amateurs to professionals, providing a unique interdisciplinary experience.

Selection and exchange is conducted by a library staff committee based on the following criteria:

- Aesthetics, presentation, craftsmanship, medium, size and appropriateness for viewing by library users of all ages
- Interests of the community

Requirements

- Artwork must be two-dimensional, wired and ready for hanging (no sawtooth hangers)
- Artists will be responsible for delivery and retrieval of their artwork
- Writers will submit their work electronically
- Written pieces must fit on an 8½" x 14" sheet of paper (legal size)

Exhibit

- Original pieces and response pieces will be displayed in pairs
- Artwork will be installed exclusively by qualified library staff
- Exhibit will take place in the Columbia Room at Vancouver Community Library
- Exhibit will open with a reception on Friday, April 3, 2020 at 5pm, as part of the First Friday Artwalk
- Exhibit will be on display beginning Friday, April 3, 2020 through the end of April

Liability

The library does not assume liability for injury or damage to personal property which occurs during exhibition. A signed agreement form will be required prior to the opening exhibit.

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2020 Visions & Voices Art Exchange Submission Form

Name:

Address:

Telephone (Required):

Email (Required) :

Artists may submit **one piece** of original 2D work, on canvas, panel or in frame with a maximum dimension of **18”x 24”**. Writers may submit **one piece** of original written work not to exceed the parameters of one **8 1/2” x 14”** (legal size) sheet of paper.

Submission packet must be received by Friday, February 28, 2020

Please submit the following items by email, regular mail or dropping off at Vancouver Community Library:

- Completed submission form
- Brief Artist Statement describing your work, including medium, title and dimensions
- Written pieces **submitted electronically** in .doc or .pdf format preferred
- Clear, well-lit photograph of visual art piece
- Visual Art Piece submitted in one of the following formats:
 - printed photographs (sample images will not be returned)
 - file attachment in email (ie. .jpg, .png, .tiff or similar)

Send electronic submissions to: vaartteam@fvrl.org

Mail submissions can be sent to:

Vancouver Community Library

Attn: VA Art Team

901 C Street

Vancouver, WA 98660

FVRL staff members will facilitate the **exchange of works** no later than **Tuesday, March 10, 2020**.

- Each visual artist accepted will receive a copy of an anonymous piece of creative writing to make a **visual art response** to.
- Each creative writer accepted will receive a copy of an anonymous visual art piece to make a **written response** to.

All original works and response pieces will be **delivered to Vancouver Community Library no later than Wednesday, April 1, 2020**. Creative writers may bring in their written pieces (ie. poetry, flash fiction), or submit them electronically.

An **art opening** will be held on **Friday, April 3, 2020 from 5pm-8pm**.