



U.S. Department of
Veterans Affairs



Call for Artwork by Women Veterans

Project Summary

VAP is honored to partner with the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the Center for Women Veterans (CWV) to lead the call for artwork created by women veterans for display at 10 VA medical centers around the United States. The call for artwork will begin in December 2016 and the project will launch in March 2017 to coincide with Women's History Month as well as the 100-year anniversary of women being allowed to enlist in the US military with military rank and pay. VAP will lead a coalition of arts organization who focuses on fostering, encouraging and promoting veteran artists as they continue their journey in the arts.

The Artwork

The call for art will result in the selection of 10 women veteran artists whose digital still prints and storyboards will be exhibited together at 10 VA medical campuses across the country. Alongside prints of paintings, photography, and mixed media will be headshots of the veterans and a short bio of their military and creative journey. The images on the storyboard may show the women veteran in uniform, conducting a mission or serving, as well an "after" photo of how she is engaging in her community presently. We believe this is a powerful narrative that shows women veterans as not only a key part of our military but as active participants in our communities across America.

Sample Storyboards from VAP 2014 All-Veteran Pentagon Art Exhibit

Yvette Pino is an Army and OIF veteran, having served as a cook from 2002-2008. While serving in Iraq, she found a sense of solitude in creating works of art and earned the unofficial title of "Division Artist". As an artist and founder of Veteran Print Project, she hopes to open an ongoing dialogue between veterans and artists.



2'8"x4'8" Self-Portrait



Wendi Boggs enjoyed drawing classes throughout high school and college and in 2010 decided to become an art therapist. She hopes to help others express what they cannot say, to express what others may not see, and advocate for those who have and continue to suffer. She served in the Air Force as a Personnel Specialist from 1984-1990.



20"x16" Unconscionable



Project Timeline and Deliverables

- December 31st, 2016 – Deadline to submit artwork to VAP
 - Submit the following items via email to submission@veteranartistprogram.org
 - Include a high resolution, digital image of the artwork
 - Include a 100 word bio, including military experience, creative background and current professional goals
 - Include a picture of your time in the military. A tradition military headshot will work but an action photo is preferable
 - Include a current “after” photo, representing who you are now as a veteran
 - *As depicted above, each item above will be included on a “storyboard” as a unique depiction of your military and creative journey*
 - January 15th, 2017– Announcement of selected artwork
 - February 2017 – Production and Promotion
 - Creation of storyboards and the planning of exhibits and artist talkbacks
 - Artist promotion and media coverage of project
 - March 2017 – Installation of artwork at medical centers and conduct artist talkback
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