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# VAST ARTS

## visual arts society of texas

News and Events

Visual Arts Society of Texas News

Mid August, 2016

**VAST Member Show Currently at the Arts Center**  
**Opening Reception: Friday, August 12**

**Come support the 76 members that are exhibiting!**  
**27th ANNUAL VAST MEMBERS EXHIBITION**

**Exhibition Dates: August 12 - September 3, 2016**

**Opening Reception: August 12, 5:30-7:30pm**

**Awards Ceremony: 6:30pm**

**Exhibition Location: Meadows Gallery, Patterson-Appleton Arts Center, 400 E. Hickory St., Denton, TX, 76201**

Juror: Colby Parsons, MFA, is an Associate Professor in Visual Art at Texas Woman's University, where he teaches Ceramics and Emergent Media.

We will be sharing our reception with GDAC's guests for the photography exhibit; parking may be more limited.

Prospectus can be found [HERE](#).

Ellen Frenkel, Exhibition Chair 940-595-0784

Deanna Wood, Vice President of Exhibitions 972-345-9968

vastMembersExhibition@gmail.com

**VAST Board Meeting: August 27**

The Executive Board and Directors of the Visual Arts Society of Texas are meeting on Saturday, August 27, 9am - noon, at the Denton Central Fire Station on Hickory Street. It is an open meeting.

**Mark Your Calendars!**  
**First VAST Meeting of 2016/2017 Year**

**PDF of Newsletter**

For those of you who would like to print a copy of this newsletter, [Click Here](#).

**2016-2017 Monthly Programs**

September 1,  
 Mary Karam, digital art

Meetings start in September. They are held at the Patterson-Appleton Arts Center, 400 East Hickory St, Denton, TX.

7:00 - 9:00 pm

Members: Free  
 Guests: \$3

**2016-2017 VAST Membership Levels**

- \$15 - Student
- \$25 - Educator\*
- \$35 - Individual
- \$45 - Family
- \$50 - Mary Cassatt
- \$125 - Rembrandt
- \$250 - Georgia O'Keefe
- \$500 - Picasso
- \$750 - Leonardo
- \$1000 - Michelangelo
- \$3000 - Renoir
- \$5000 - Van Gogh

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## is September 1

Mary Karam, digital artist, will be our first speaker.

Meetings start at 7pm, end at 9pm. They are held at the Patterson-Appleton Arts Center, 400 E. Hickory Street, Denton.

Cost for program: Members, free; Guests, \$3

## Upcoming Dates for VADO (VAST Artist Day Out)

### Enjoy working in the company of fellow artists!

VAST members now have the opportunity to sign up for VADO for September 2016/2017 year.

### What is VADO?

VAST members may come paint at the Arts Center (Patterson-Appleton Art Center) from 9:15am - 3pm, two mornings a month---no instructor, not a workshop, just an art gathering. You may paint, sketch, quilt, or whatever creative endeavor you desire in the fellowship with your artist friends. The fee is \$10 for our VAST year beginning September, 2016.

### What are the Dates?

We meet the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the Month. These dates are posted in the VAST E-Newsletter and an email reminder will be sent out each month to alert you of the date if you sign up for the year.

### Questions?

Send an email to Mary Emerson, maryem88@att.net.

### What do you need to do to get signed up?

Pay the \$10 with your dues, or send a check made out to VAST for \$10 to:

VAST  
P.O.Box 1281  
Denton, TX 76202

If you do not want to commit to the whole year, you may drop in any time and pay a WHOPPING \$1 to help defray the cost of the rental fee we pay to PAAC.

Thank you,  
Mary Emerson, Ph.D.

VADO Dates:  
Sept.1 & 15  
Oct.6 & 20  
Nov. 3 & 17  
Dec.1 & 15  
Jan. 5 & 19

\*Educator level of membership entitles teachers to bring students with them to any monthly meeting with guest fees waived. Teachers planning to bring more than 5 students to any meeting are requested to contact Mindy Faubion through President@VASTarts.org so the Hospitality Committee can plan to have enough refreshments on-hand at the meeting.

## 2016/2017 VAST Artist Day Out

Aug 18  
New VADO Sessions:  
Sept.1  
Sept. 15  
Oct.6  
Oct. 20  
Nov. 3  
Nov 17  
Dec.1  
Dec. 15  
Jan. 5  
Jan. 19  
Feb. 2  
Feb. 16  
Mar 2  
Mar 16  
Apr 6  
Apr 20  
May 4  
May 18

VAST Artist Day Out is a day where members may come paint at the Arts Center from 9:00am - 3pm, approximately two mornings a month. There is no instructor, it is not a workshop...just an art gathering.

You may paint, sketch, quilt or what ever creative endeavor you desire in the fellowship with your artist friends. Lunch and fellowship are the best parts!

Questions, contact:  
Mary Emerson  
maryem88@att.net

The cost is \$10 a year, or \$1 a session if you just

Feb. 2 & 16  
 Mar 2 & 16  
 Apr 6 & 20  
 May 4 & 18

## Get Your Name in Now for the September VAST Figure Drawing Group

On Thursday, September 22, VAST will sponsor its first monthly drawing session with a live model. This two hour open studio at the Arts Center will have no instructor. The group is available to VAST members only.

Each meeting will have both short and long poses. The model will be clothed. Participants will share the cost of the model. All participants will be responsible for putting the room back in order.

Meeting day: the fourth Thursday of the month (except November and December -TBD).  
 There will be no meetings in June, July, and August.

Time: 10 AM to 12 Noon  
 2016 Dates: 9/22, 10/27, 12/To be determined  
 2017 Dates: 1/26, 2/23, 3/23, 4/27, 5/25

Location: The craft room at the Patterson-Appleton Arts Center, 400 East Hickory Street.

Because studio space is limited, it will be necessary for interested artists to reserve a space. Please contact Susan Boyle at [susankboyle15@gmail.com](mailto:susankboyle15@gmail.com) or at leave a message at 940-387-4376.



*The Red Shoes, Susan Boyle,  
 acrylic*

want to drop in every now and then. Pay with your dues, or you can send \$10 to:

VAST  
 PO Box 1281  
 Denton, TX 76202

## Calendar Focus - August



**Gail Williamson Cope, Farmers Branch**

*Sunny Dots*, acrylic  
40" x 30"

My work has evolved to a series of mixed media paintings exploring the reduction of mark making to the simplest forms-dots, dashes and circles. Although the use of these most basic forms would imply a simple surface, in fact the marks are layered in complex ways, and the background or under-painting takes on even more importance as it interacts with the layers. An exploration of textile references resonates with my childhood and continues to have value and meaning for me today. The work is the culmination of exploration of art techniques while seeking to convey the deeper experiences of six decades of study, travel and life experience.

Contact: 972-484-2673; GailCope1@gmail.com



420 S Bell Ave Denton, TX 76201

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## Materials: *HARD + SOFT* Deadline to Apply September 30



*MATERIALS: HARD + SOFT*  
INTERNATIONAL CONTEMPORARY  
CRAFT COMPETITION AND  
EXHIBITION

Recognized as one of the premier craft exhibitions in the country, Materials: Hard + Soft began in 1987 and was originally initiated by area artist Georgia Leach Gough. Now in its 30th year, the exhibition opens to international artists as we celebrate the evolving field of contemporary craft and the remarkable creativity and innovation of artists who push the boundaries of their chosen media. Each year approximately 70 works from the hundreds submitted are selected by an esteemed juror for exhibition at the Patterson-Appleton Arts Center.

The 2017 Call for Entries is now open to local, national and international artists through September 30. For Prospectus, [Click Here.](#)

## Denton Public Works Survey & Opportunity to Create Public Art

The City of Denton's Public Art Committee is commissioning a piece of outdoor public art for the MLK Jr. Rec. Center. The area near the corner of Wilson and Newton streets is the location being considered. This project is funded by the Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax (HOT) funds and is to be completed September 2017.

Your input is valued and your response is needed by September 15, 2016.

The Public Art Committee is looking for emerging artists. If you would be interested in bidding on this project, please contact Jamie McLeod at 940.349.8272 or Janie.Mcleod@cityofdenton.com

Public Art Survey, [Click here.](#)

## Update Your Profile on the VAST Website

Increase the visibility of VAST and its talented members! To get started updating your information, here is a link to the [updated directions](#). If you need any assistance, Isabel Cano would be happy to help get your information on the VAST website. Isabel's email is isabelcano@verizon.net. Our website is VASTarts.org.

## Please contact our Sunshine Committee Chair if you know of anyone who needs well wishes sent or thoughts of sympathy.

Millie Johnson is the chairperson for the Visual Arts Society of Texas' Sunshine Committee. Please contact Millie at: pairdocs25@yahoo.com or 940.387.7688

## Do you turn to Facebook for current news?

You can connect to our online community with the "Visual Arts Society of Texas" on Facebook, check this [link](#).

## Visual Arts Society of Texas' Revolving Exhibitions

**Please contact the coordinator for the exhibit(s) that you would like to be considered for.**

### **"Art About Town" exhibition at The Chestnut Tree Teahouse and Bistro, on the Denton town square.**

#### *Shari Turner and Aurora Cabrera Duo Exhibition*

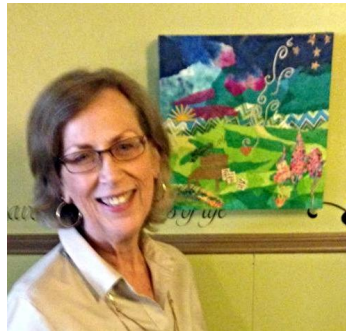
Shari Turner and Aurora Dawson are exhibiting together at the Chestnut Tree Bistro until September 16th. Their work is a combination of mixed media, acrylic, and large scale watercolors.



Aurora Cabrera was born and raised in Oaxaca, Mexico and paints watercolor with passion and intensity in very bright and vivid colors. She has assembled a nice collection of large watercolors for the patrons of The Chestnut Tree to enjoy.



Shari Turner paints in multiple media. She is as excited about the process as much as the media and the concept. She has assembled a large collection of playful mixed media and acrylic work for this exhibit.



Be sure to stop by The Chestnut Tree and enjoy a beverage, lunch, and the artwork of Shari and Aurora.



The Chestnut Tree Teahouse and Bistro is locally owned and is located at 107 West Hickory Street on the Denton Square. The hours are Monday through Saturday from 9am until 3pm.  
Coordinator for exhibit: Lin Hampton at [linhamptonart@gmail.com](mailto:linhamptonart@gmail.com)

**"Noble Visions" exhibition at Barnes & Noble Booksellers Cafe - Golden Triangle Mall**

The photography of Bria Lee, will be on display from July 6 through September 7.

Blia Lee is an award-winning boutique photographer in the Denton/Decatur area. Lee specializes in creative senior portraits as well as family and children's portraits and is known for creating timeless pieces with dramatic and vivid colors. Lee enjoys designing unique portraits that capture identities, emotions, memories and imaginations. She has been featured online and in print publications such as "The Twelfth Year", "Seniorologie", and "Senior Inspire".



Coordinator for exhibit: Contact Carol Stoecker at [storytimeartist@yahoo.com](mailto:storytimeartist@yahoo.com)

### **"Off the Shelves" exhibition at Emily Fowler Central Library**

*Merging Visions, Extended Exhibit* will be on display through August 20. These are the participating artists: David Blow, Gail Cope, Julie Covington, Mindy Faubion, Angelia Ford, Lori Garner, Lin Hampton, Jackie Haugen, Randy Honeycutt, Thomas Judd, Tonya Littmann, Lori MacLean, Iris Anne Moore, Tesa Morin, Teri Muse, Roxanne Musick, Lola Newell, Mine Parvaze, Carol Rowley, Ray Sears, Carol Stoecker, Dawn Swepston, Carmen Underwood, Jo Williams, Christie A. Wood.

Coordinator for exhibit: Mindy Faubion, [mindyfaubion@yahoo.com](mailto:mindyfaubion@yahoo.com)  
 The Emily Fowler Central Library is located at 502 Oakland Street. Hours are: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday 9 am to 6 pm; Tuesday and Thursday 9 am to 9 pm, Sunday 1 to 5 pm.  
 502 Oakland St., Denton TX, 76201



### **"Outside the Box" exhibition at Point Bank Blackbox Theater**

*Millie Giles' Critique Group* is currently showing until October 14. The exhibition is free.

Exhibiting artists are Andrea Albright, Nel dorn Byrd, Mindy Faubion, Ellen Frenkel, Jackie Haugen, Lorraine Hayes, Tonya Littmann, Shubhangi Mantri and Jo Williams. The art represents a variety of media including fiber and painting.





Artists from left to right: Shughangi Mantri, Ellen Frenkel and Jo Williams

The Critique Group meets monthly, September through May, at the City of Denton Central Fire Station. The group has 12 VAST members and welcomes any members of VAST to its substitute list.

The critic is Millie Giles, retired professor of art, who taught at the University of North Texas from 1976-2013. She spent the last 7 years there as Coordinator of the Watercolor Concentration program.



Coordinator for exhibit: Jo Williams at [texjo@msn.com](mailto:texjo@msn.com)

The Point Bank Black Box Theatre Exhibition is co-sponsored by Denton Community Theatre and VAST, and is located at 318 E. Hickory. For information on DCT, call 940.382.1915.

Hours: Monday & Wednesday, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Friday 10:30 am - 1:30 pm. Art may also be viewed during any of the performances at the Black Box.

### ***"Through the Ages"* exhibition at the Denton Senior Center**

Husband and wife, Eloise and Ray Sears, will be showing their work at the Denton Senior Center through September, 2016.

**Eloise Sears**, a Denton resident since 1957, loved to draw and paint as a child, and she feels fortunate to have been able to fulfill her

dream of pursuing painting in retirement. The transparent, painterly qualities of watercolor drew her to that medium, and she remains captivated by its somewhat unpredictable nature. Eloise has taken classes with local watercolorist, Jo Williams, and participated in workshops with other artists, including Nel dorn Byrd. She is currently serving as VAST Secretary, and and is a signature member of the Society of Watercolor Artists. Her work has been exhibited in the Richardson Civic Art Society Regional Exhibition, SWA International Exhibition, SWA Members Exhibitions, as well as VAST Members Exhibitions, calendars and *Merging Visions* exhibitions, the latter being a collaboration of works by VAST artists and the Denton Poet Assembly.



**Ray Sears** has enjoyed taking photographs since his retirement when he had much more time to travel and see many interesting places. With Eloise being a watercolorist, photography has been a way for them to share their artistic interests. Ray has participated in the following VAST activities: Members Exhibitions, the Calendar and in *Merging Visions* exhibitions.



Coordinator for exhibit: Isabel Cano,  
isabelcano@verizon.net

The Denton Senior Center is located at 509 N. Bell Ave., Denton, TX  
Hours: M-F 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

## Members in the News

Please submit news of exhibitions that you are involved in to [news.vast@gmail.com](mailto:news.vast@gmail.com) by the 15th of the month.

## Member Workshops, Classifieds, Want Ads, Etc.

VAST Members have the opportunity to advertise art related information in the newsletter 2 times per VAST year - June 1st through May 31st. This business card-sized ad must be sent to the editor by the 15th of the month and is subject to the approval of VAST. VAST reserves the right to edit.

YOUR AD HERE.

## Art Around Town

### A Creative Art STUDIO

227 W. Oak Street, Suite 101

For class schedules [Click Here.](#) and for more information, check [acreativeartstudio.com](http://acreativeartstudio.com) and [on Facebook.](#)

## **Patterson-Appleton Arts Center**

**400 E. Hickory Street, Denton, TX 76201**

### **Festival Hall:**

*Summer Pop-Up Exhibition: Works by Benjamin Terry*

Summer 2016, FREE

Learn more at [benjaminjerry.com](http://benjaminjerry.com)

### **Gough Gallery:**

*The Texas Cowboy: Historic Photos from the Charles Cook Collection* presented in partnership with the North Texas State Fair and Rodeo.

August 13 - September 24, 2016, FREE

Opening Reception, Friday, August 12, 5:30 - 7:30 PM

Be transported to life on the range with historic cowboy photography from the collection of Charles Cook. Including images by legendary photographer Erwin E. Smith, the exhibition will also feature vintage saddles and leatherwork from Weldon's Saddle Shop and Bell & Oak. Celebrate the opening of the exhibition on August 12 with horses in the park, a restored chuck wagon from Mrs. Beeler's Antique Farm Display and more!

### **Meadows Gallery:**

*27th Annual VAST Members Exhibition*

August 13 - September 3, 2016, FREE

Opening Reception, Friday, August 12, 5:30 - 7:30 PM

The Visual Arts Society of Texas sponsors this annual event to offer its members an important opportunity to enter their work in a juried exhibition that showcases members only. The exhibit provides an excellent venue for the North Texas community to appreciate the high quality and diverse nature of art produced by area artists.

Learn more at [vastarts.org](http://vastarts.org)

For more information: [dentonarts.com](http://dentonarts.com)

## **Texas Woman's University Art Galleries**

### **East Gallery and West Gallery**

Fall 2016 Student 010 Gallery Exhibitions

Ashley Boydston, *Fragile*: August 28-September 10

Sierra Taylor, *Trapped Within*: September 11-September 24

Vannessa Kantaphone & Ashlyn Lee - September 25 - October 8

information: [twu.edu/visual-arts](http://twu.edu/visual-arts)

## **University of North Texas Art Galleries**

No current exhibitions.

For more information: <http://gallery.unt.edu>

### **UNT on the Square**

Between exhibitions.

For more information: [untonthesquare.unt.edu/](http://untonthesquare.unt.edu/)

## **Opportunities/Calls for Entries**

### **2016 Art in the Metroplex**

#### **Deadline: August 22, 2016**

The Fort Worth Community Arts Center welcomes submissions from artists in the DFW Metroplex and surrounding areas - Tarrant, Dallas, Collin, Cooke, Denton, Ellis, Grayson, Hill, Hood, Hunt, Jack, Johnson, Kaufmann, Navarro, Palo Pinto, Parker, Rockwall, Somervell and Wise counties.

**Exhibition is October 7 - 29, 2016 at the Fort Worth Community Arts Center, 1300 Gendy, Fort Worth, TX 76107.**

**Juror is Annette DiMeo Carlozzi, Independent Curator, formerly**

**curator at the Blanton Museum of Art, UT-Austin.  
Over \$3000 in awards.  
Fee: \$35/3.  
[Prospectus.](#)**

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**Grand Prairie Arts Council 2016 Annual Juried Art Show & Sale**  
Uptown Theater Lobby Art Gallery, 120 East Main Street Grand Prairie, TX  
**Deadline: August 22, 2016**  
**Exhibit: September 18 - October 15, 2016**  
**Open to all artists age 18 and over. Entries must be original, unpublished and must not have been previously exhibited in a GPAC Exhibition.**  
**\$3,000 in cash prizes available.**  
**\$30 Entry Fee.**  
All media will be considered including but not limited to 3-dimensional, photography, drawing-all media, computer graphics, etc.  
Mail images, entry form & \$30 fee:  
Grand Prairie Arts Council  
PO Box 531613  
Grand Prairie, Texas 75053  
Or mail entry form & \$30 fee and Email images: [gpac@artsgp.org](mailto:gpac@artsgp.org)  
For printable entry and more information:  
<http://www.artsgp.org/brochure2016-onlineversion.pdf>

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**Greater Denton Arts Council Call for Artists**  
**Deadline: Ongoing**  
**The Greater Denton Arts Council welcomes proposals for exhibitions from local, national, and international artists and curators in the Meadows and Gough Galleries.**  
**For more information, see [dentonarts.com](http://dentonarts.com)**

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**"Art on the Horizon"**  
**Horizon Unitarian Universalist Church**  
**1641 W. Hebron Parkway, Carrollton, TX 75010**

**Offering a venue for local artists to exhibit their work in a solo exhibition for 6 weeks.**  
**\* Our space can accommodate 15-20 medium to large works of art or more if works are smaller.**  
**\* Each exhibition is for 6 weeks beginning on a Sunday. The work must be hung during the week prior, and picked up promptly during the week following the show.**  
**\* Any work that is sold gives a 20% commission to the church.**  
**Guidelines:**  
**\* Two dimensional work only.**  
**\* Must be ready to hang, with wire, no sawtooth. Please do not bring work that is not properly ready to hang. It will not be accepted.**  
**\* Nothing over 35 pounds**  
**\* Any theme or subject matter will be considered, yet be mindful of the space**  
**\* Any medium**

**There is no cutoff date for submissions. If you are interested in submitting work for consideration, please email images or furnish a website where the work may be viewed to:**  
**[HorizonArt@HorizonUU.org](mailto:HorizonArt@HorizonUU.org)**  
**We would like to begin filling our 2017 schedule and may ask to set up an interview in order to see some work in person before finalizing the schedule and so that the artist can see the exhibition space for planning a show.**

**Patti Burns, Art on the Horizon**  
**For more information on the church visit:**  
[www.horizonuu.org](http://www.horizonuu.org)

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**Texas Photographic Society's "FotoTexas: People, Places & Culture"**  
**Deadline: August 15, 2016**

**Juried by Dan Burkholder, fine art photographer, author and educator based in Palenville, New York.**

**Entry fee is \$30 for 5 images, plus \$6 for each additional image.**

We are pleased to announce a new themed call for entry, *FotoTexas: People, Places & Culture*, as well as support programming in collaboration with the Richland College Photography Department in Dallas, Texas. FotoTexas seeks work produced in Texas and wishes to celebrate the rich history, culture, people, icons and landscape of the state that TPS proudly calls home. Awards. Photographers may enter up to 10 images. Please don't forget to include your membership fee, if also joining TPS at the time of entry.

**FotoTexas: People, Places & Culture is open to artists of all levels internationally.**

**All photographic based work is encouraged including digital, silver and alternative processes.**

**You do not need to be a member of the Texas Photographic Society to enter this competition.** However, you may join TPS and enter this show at the same time. Works exhibited previously in a TPS show are not eligible, and all entries must be submitted digitally.

[Prospectus.](#)

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**2016 Texas Visual Arts Association (TVAA)**

**National entries due September 14, 2016**

**Early Bird Deadline: August 15**

Texas Visual Arts Association (TVAA) is pleased to announce an open call for submissions for the 2016 TVAA National Art Competition & Exhibit, **juried by Andrea Karnes, Curator at the Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, and Gabriel Ritter, Assistant Curator of Contemporary Art at the Dallas Museum of Art.** The competition is open to 2D artworks in any medium. 3D artworks are also acceptable with the provision that they be delivered and installed by the artist. **The exhibition will be displayed at the Mesquite Arts Center in December 2016.**

**Prizes totaling \$2000 will be awarded to the best works in the national competition.**

**Fee: \$45.00 for up to three works; Early Bird Deadline Fee: \$30**

[Prospectus.](#)

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**A YEAR ON THE PLAZA ART COMPETITION**

**Deadline to Enter original artwork by Thursday, August 25 at 3:00pm.**

**Winning work displayed on art wall in Dallas Arts District for one year, no entry fees.**

**Presented by The Catholic Foundation**, the unique competition is accepting original work, searching for a piece of art to adorn a 28-foot-long by 9-foot-wide public art wall in the Dallas Arts District for one year.

**Submissions must measure 28 inches by 9 and 2/3 inches, and the winning work will be digitally enlarged to cover the wall.**

**The winning artist receives a \$2,500 stipend and honorable mentions receive \$250 each.**

"A Year on the Plaza Art Competition presents a unique opportunity for talented individuals in Texas to express themselves artistically and showcase their work in the Dallas Arts District," said J. Matthew Kramer, president and CEO of The Catholic Foundation.

**Submissions must be appropriate for the location of the Plaza on the Cathedral grounds but do not require a religious theme.** There are no entry fees.

Once the winning piece is selected by a panel of highly respected members of the local arts community, it will be unveiled during a public dedication ceremony in October 2016.

**The Request for Proposal is available at [catholicfoundation.com](http://catholicfoundation.com)**

See lots more here:

[artgroupsdfw.com](http://artgroupsdfw.com)

[callforentry.org](http://callforentry.org)

[professionalartistmag.com](http://professionalartistmag.com)

[artdeadlineslist.com](http://artdeadlineslist.com)



Please feel free to forward this on to anyone who might be interested.

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