



Come Celebrate the Visual Artists of Rose Drive Friends Church!

Art Collective Event: Good Friday, April 10, 6 - 9 PM

Saturday, April 11, 9 AM - 12 PM, and

Easter Sunday, April 12, 9 AM - 1 PM

Location: Rose Drive Gymnasium

The Art Collective is an opportunity for anyone with creative abilities to use their gifts for Jesus! ALL are welcome to join us!

Premise: God is a creative artist. As his children, we too have been given creative abilities. We invite artists to exhibit their original pieces as representations of our Easter celebration with, "The Stations of the Cross". The event will feature a gallery of a variety of visual art media. Light refreshments will also be served.

Theme: The Stations of the Cross.

The **Stations of the Cross** are representations of the path Jesus bore on his way to the crucifixion. They involve Jesus enduring suffering, insults, moments of support, and relay the intense sacrifice that Christians believe Jesus undertook for human salvation. This theme is inviting you to explore how you see that sacrifice and the steps along the way. What gifts has God called you to utilize? How can you display the sacrificial love of God?

This theme can be interpreted either figuratively or literally. This theme is to open you up, not shut you down. Be creative and run with it!

"He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by his wounds you have been healed."
1 Peter 2:24

Show Dates:

Visual Art: Selected work will be exhibited April 10-12. The exhibit will be unveiled at the Arts Collective Exhibit at 6 PM on Good Friday then remain on display through Easter Sunday with set viewing hours.

FAQs:

How many pieces may I submit?

You may submit up to 2 pieces to display. However, mostly likely, both pieces will not be selected for the Arts Collective Exhibit. Pieces will be selected by the Arts Collective Team, depending on space and appropriate connection to the theme.

I don't understand the theme. Can I just submit something I drew a long time ago?

The Arts Collective Exhibit is meant to encourage you to open your creativity in the present. We strongly urge you to create something new or to submit something from the past 5 years that relates to the current theme. Please feel free to call Rosalie Hamman to talk through this theme for more clarity.

I'm not a professional artist. I just do this for fun. Is this collective for me?

All ages and skill levels are invited to participate! Don't be scared. This is a very encouraging, loving community.

I do not attend Rose Drive Friends Church. Can I still submit?

Yes! Whether you attend or just stumbled upon this collective randomly, you are welcome to submit. However, this collective should be viewed as an act of worship. RDF values artists and their God-

given gifts. Because of limited space, RDF congregants will get priority for exhibit space.

Can I sell my artwork?

Creating art is hard work and expensive and we understand that artists need to make a living. Feel free to leave business cards at your exhibit and your contact information on your artist statement for potential buyers to reach you outside of the gallery. Displaying price tags and collecting money during event hours is not allowed.

How do I register to participate?

Artist Registration is open now on the RDF website: www.rdf.org Be prepared to explain the type of media you will be using and which of the 14 specific stations of the cross you would like to display in your piece(s). Once submitted, you should receive an email confirmation that your registration was received. No late registrations will be accepted beyond March 1.

How do I submit my piece(s)?

Once you register to be a part of the Easter Art Collective your art description, high quality digital photos of your piece(s), and video recordings can be submitted, starting October 1, 2019 until March 1, 2020 on the RDF website: www.rdf.org. Be prepared to send pictures of each FINISHED piece along with its dimensions and type of media. You must also submit a 100-word (or less) artist statement (which can be updated prior to exhibit.) **No late submissions will be accepted.**

I don't know how to write an artist statement. Can I opt out?

You are not alone. A lot of people dread writing this, but we encourage you to try. This is your chance to have your voice heard and for the larger RDF congregation to get to know you. It can be short and sweet. Some people choose to write about their specific piece, while others choose to write a bio about themselves. Both are acceptable or a combination. Please be sure to include a description of the type of medium used for your work (i.e. watercolors, digital film, oils on canvas, etc.) Reach out to Rosalie Hamman (Rosalie@equippingleader.com) if you need help.

What kind of media is acceptable for the Art Collective?

If you have a creative outlet, it is probably acceptable! Any visual art mediums (oils, acrylics, colored pencils, pastels, watercolors, photography, etc.), wood or metal working, textile creations, and mixed media.

When will I know which, if any of my pieces will be exhibited?

You will get an email within two weeks of your submission letting you know that your submission was received. If you don't receive an email within two weeks, please contact Barba@rdf.org to make sure your submission was received. A follow up email will be sent to all registrants by March 15 to let you know which pieces will be exhibited.

I won't be in town the weekend of the event. Can I still exhibit?

You do not have to be present to exhibit your work. However, all artwork must be set up on Thursday, April 9 from 6-8 PM and remain displayed through Sunday morning. (No early tear down is allowed.) Artwork cannot be stored at Rose Drive Friends Church after 1:30 PM on Easter Sunday, April 12. If you cannot be present, make sure you arrange to have a trusted friend or family member oversee setting up and tearing down. Rose Drive Friends Church staff are NOT responsible for art pieces left behind. Although the gallery will remain under lock and key throughout the weekend, all unclaimed work will be disposed of after the weekend.

When do I drop off my artwork? Plan on blocking out the evening of April 9 to set up your art in the gymnasium (6-8 PM). There will be a meeting a few weeks out from the event with more details for set up/tear down.