

The Heseltine Open Exhibition 2021

Annual open exhibition for South Northamptonshire and North Oxfordshire's emerging and professional artists

Sunday 21st November – Thursday 16th December 2021 The Heseltine Gallery, Chenderit School, Middleton Cheney OX17 2QR Launch Event & Awards: Sunday 21st November, 12 noon – 2pm



Participating in Oxfordshire Artweeks Christmas Season <u>www.artweeks.org</u>

EXHIBITION TERMS & GUIDELINES:

Artists – should be residents of North Oxfordshire or the south Northamptonshire area, or make work in or near the area. Professional and emerging artists are invited; youth category for 11 to 18 year-olds.

Artworks – Work can be in any medium and size (within reason!). Wall, floor and plinth space will be provided, plus one cabinet for small items. Each artist can submit up to 4 pieces of work under a square metre in size, or 3 larger pieces. Items designed to display together will be counted individually, except for jewellery or ceramic sets. Work must be appropriate for viewing by young people as well as adults and should not have been shown in the gallery previously.

Presentation and hanging – Work must be framed or otherwise professionally presented (no clip frames). **2D work must be fitted with mirror plates, ready for hanging.** Indicate your display needs on the forms. Limited plinths are available so may need to be supplied by the artist. The gallery technician will hang selected work; any gallery volunteers assisting will be supervised.

Identification – A label must be attached to the back or side of all submitted works giving the artist's name and telephone number, title and medium of work, date work made and price or NFS, a second label should be attached by string to the work to allow for ease of identification during hanging and catalogue listing.

Submission – Artists are invited to submit work on **Monday 15th November** between 1.30pm and 6.30pm, or **Tuesday 16th November** between 10am and 1pm. Please deliver with a helper if items are too large or heavy for you to handle alone. FORMS MUST ACCOMPANY WORK.

Selection – Tom Christy (Head of Art at Chenderit) will select work for the exhibition. Any work that is not selected can be collected at the launch event or by arrangement soon afterwards. Artists may assume that their work has been selected if not notified otherwise by 20th November.

Awards – Commendations for outstanding work will be announced at the opening event on **Sunday 21st November**. Artists may be selected for an award of a future exhibition in the gallery, supported by the Friends. Be there with your guests by 12.30pm for the photo opportunity!

Opening arrangements – Free admission. Open 10am to 4pm Monday to Friday and Sundays. Please note that the three Sundays during the exhibition period, will potentially be busy with visitors. These are good opportunities for artists to meet visitors, so please volunteer to be part of the stewarding teams for 28th November, 5th and 12th December and keep the dates free. *Please indicate on p.2 of submission form.* Artists selling work during the Oxfordshire Artweeks Christmas Season, note that this is an opportunity to promote your work to a wider audience.

Entry fee and commission – In line with all of our exhibitions, a 20% commission will be levied on sales at The Heseltine Gallery. An entry charge of **£6 per item** (free for youth category) is payable with submissions by cash or cheque, payable to **Friends of the Heseltine Gallery** or in advance by bank transfer to: Friends of the Heseltine Gallery at Lloyds Bank, Sort Code 309042, Account number 44304760 – please use the following reference: Open[your surname]. Fees are not refundable.

Insurance – You are advised to consider insuring your work while in the gallery as well as its transportation to and from the gallery. Public liability only will be covered by the venue's insurance whilst work is within the gallery space. Work should be complete, stable and safe to exhibit. Public admission to the gallery is controlled at the main entrance and within the school.

Collection – Unsold work must be collected on Friday 17th December, between 10am and 4pm. The school will be closed for Christmas holidays after that.

Publicity – The exhibition is widely publicised on the <u>Heseltine Gallery website</u>, through Oxfordshire Artweeks, West Northants Council, local media and **The Heseltine Gallery** social media: Instagram and <u>Facebook</u>. Please promote through your own networks and social media and distribute flyers provided. By submitting work, you will be accepting that images of it can be used to promote the exhibition and the gallery.

Complete the submission form, keep a copy for your records and for collection ID. Print and bring both copies with your artwork, or email in advance to suesartstuff@intamail.com.

Contact for queries (Wednesdays – Fridays): Sue Carverhill, Arts Development Officer. Healthy Communities, West Northamptonshire Council. Tel: 01327 322334, email <u>sue.carverhill@westnorthants.gov.uk</u>



Friends of The Heseltine Gallery membership and enquiries: <u>friends@theheseltinegallery.org.uk</u>

Venue enquiries: Tom Christy, Head of Art, Chenderit School, Archery Road, Middleton Cheney, Banbury, OX17 2QR. Tel: 01295 711567 (Reception)