



NICOLAYSEN ART MUSEUM

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Dear Valued Artist,

The NIC is grateful for artists like you. We can only deliver our vision of being the cultural anchor of our community because of the **talents and generosity of the artists** who work with us. We need your help with our largest fundraiser, our 38th Annual Art Auction & Dinner. This year we celebrate our 35th year in our current museum.

As with the past two years, **The NIC's auction will be a juried exhibition.** We have invited Camellia E-Antably of Rock, Paper, Scissors Gallery in Cheyenne, WY, Jennie Elliot of the Mercer Family Resource, and Amara Fehring of the Wyoming Arts Council to serve as our guest jurors. They will choose up to 45 works for our Fire & Ice Bash and up to 90 pieces for the Elemental Ball. Works selected for the Ball will be included in a silent auction, however up to four may be chosen as "Best of Show" and sold in the live auction.

We will host **two days of activities.** We invite you to choose whether to be involved in one or both of these events:

The Fire & Ice Bash, September 5th:

Thursday night will be the Fire & Ice Bash and Art Sale with affordable tickets, interactive and performing art, and heavy hors d'oeuvres. You may submit up to **TWO** works with a **Buy It Now value of \$300 or less** for inclusion in the Bash's art sale.

The NIC's Elemental Ball, September 6th:

The Elemental Ball is Friday night and includes an exclusive, seated black tie dinner party with a cocktail reception, awards, and auctions of original art. You can submit up to **TWO** works to be juried for the Elemental Ball Auction. **Minimum Bid** prices are determined by the artist, but **all works must be valued at \$300 or more.**

- **Artworks juried into the Elemental Ball and submitted for the Fire & Ice Bash will be consigned.** The price – **auctioned only at or above your stated minimum** – will be shared 50/50 between you and The NIC.
- For the Ball, we will offer a **"BUY IT NOW" price which is 30% higher** than the minimum bid provided on your submission form. The sale price will be shared 50% for you and 50% for The NIC.
- If you wish to support The NIC further, there is the option for a **full donation of the sold piece.**
- All entries must be **original work completed within the last three years.**
- Works on canvas must be framed or have finished edges.
- Frames must be in good condition (no scratches or loose corners). **Screw eyes and hanging wire** must be attached firmly to the back of the piece.
- **The NIC's Museum Coordinator, Mark Bennett must be notified in advance by email or snail mail, if an unconventional method of hanging is required.** Once an accepted piece of artwork is installed in the show, you may not ask to change its location or orientation.
- Work juried into the auction **may not be substituted or withdrawn.**
- All entries are left at the owner's risk. Although precautions are taken, The NIC is not responsible for damage or theft.

- If art does not sell at the Bash or Ball, it will be submitted into an **Encore Auction Sale** which will run September 9th – 20th. All art sold at this time will follow the same consignment arrangement above.
- Art must be picked up - or with special instruction mailed back to the artist - no later than **Friday, September, 27 2019 at 5:00 p.m.** After 90 days The NIC will assume ownership of the piece.
- All participating artists will also receive **TWO FREE tickets to our Thursday night Fire & Ice Bash** (valued at \$80).
- All artists juried into the Elemental Ball will receive **TWO DISCOUNTED Annual Art Auction and Show ticket** at a rate of \$75 per-ticket. For your discounted tickets call The NIC at (307)-235-5247.

Please complete the enclosed registration form by June 7, 2019 and return it to The NIC with images of the work that you propose for the exhibition. An email registration is preferred along with publishable digital images (300 dpi) sent to prep@thenic.org.

Your registration packet must include the following:

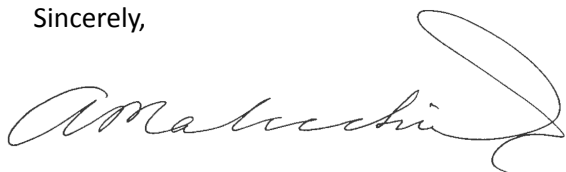
- Completed Registration Form (enclosed)
- Digital image of each submitted work (300 dpi)

Important Dates

July 15	<u>Firm deadline for submission of Registration Form</u>
July 26	<u>Notification of selections</u>
August 13	<u>Firm deadline for artwork delivery!! Nicolaysen Art Museum, 400 E. Collins Dr., Casper, WY 82601 Attn: Amanda Yonker</u>
August 27	Exhibition of Bash & Ball Auctions Opens
September 5	Sparke Bash Art Sale and Art Party
September 6	Diamond Ball Art Auction & Black Tie Dinner
September 9-20	Encore Auction Sale
September 27	Pick-up of all unsold works/Release of consignment payments

Please know we are incredibly aware of the time and effort it takes for this type of donation within the framework of your hectic careers. **The Annual Art Auction and Dinner is our most important fundraiser.** Its success is entirely dependent on the goodwill and generosity of the artists and art patrons.

Sincerely,



Allison Maluchnik
Executive Director



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Annual Art Auction and Dinner
Artist Registration Form

Name:

Mailing Address:

Shipping Address (if different):

Work/Studio phone:

Cell phone:

Email Address:

Elemental Ball Artwork #1 (Auction, Consigned 50/50)

Title: _____ Date: _____

Medium: _____

Size: _____

Minimum Bid: _____ *Buy It Now Price will be set at 30% above the Minimum Bid price

Elemental Ball Artwork #2 (Auction, Consigned 50/50)

Title: _____ Date: _____

Medium: _____

Size: _____

Minimum Bid: _____ *Buy It Now Price will be set at 30% above the Minimum Bid price

Fire & Ice Bash Artwork #1 (\$300 or less, Sale, Consigned 50/50)

Title: _____ Date: _____

Medium: _____

Size: _____

Buy It Now Price: _____

Fire & Ice Bash Artwork #2 (\$300 or less, Sale, Consigned 50/50)

Title: _____ Date: _____

Medium: _____

Size: _____

Buy It Now Price: _____

- Yes, I agree The NIC can move my art from the Auction to the Sale due to space considerations.
I understand that if my art does not sell during the auction it may be sold in an Encore Sale for one additional week in a gallery at The NIC at the "But It Now" price.

Artwork Return Method

Artist Name _____

Title of Submission(s) _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Price _____

Yes I will pick up my artwork if not sold no later than September 27, 2019

Please mail my artwork back to the above address