

# Call for Entries



## ARTFUL COUPLES

### Individual & Collaborative Works

Your opportunity to exhibit in one of the largest and most visible art venues in Ventura County! Thousands of people pass through the space every weekday!

#### ABOUT THE SHOW

**Theme** - The work of artists is usually exhibited as a solo effort, even though the artist is often influenced by the work of others, particularly a spouse or partner. This show is an opportunity for such "teams" to display their work jointly. We are looking for 2-dimensional work primarily, but can accept limited numbers of 3-dimensional work. Performing arts could potentially be accommodated. If we have a large number of participating artists, we will limit each artist to two works.

**Selection Process & Awards** - The show will be curated by the Arts Council. It has identified a number of "Artful Couples" already, but would like to see images of the individual and collaborative work of other couples that is consistent with the show theme. No awards will be provided.

#### KEY EXHIBIT DATES

- ◆ **CD or Email image received by VCAC by**  
Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm
- ◆ **Notification via Email by**  
Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>
- ◆ **Art Bring-in to the Atrium Gallery**  
Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>  
12:00 noon – 2:00pm
- ◆ **Exhibition opens**  
Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>
- ◆ **Reception**  
Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>  
5:30 – 7:00pm
- ◆ **Art Pick-up**  
Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>  
10:00am -12:00 noon  
*Artwork may NOT be removed before this date, unless permitted by VCAC*

#### ELIGIBLE WORKS

1. Artwork is consistent with Show Theme.
2. Original work produced in last two years and not previously exhibited in the Atrium Gallery.
3. The artists reside in Ventura County
4. The work can be exhibited using the available spaces and mounting systems of the gallery, and is "prepared" to the standards listed herein (see "About the Atrium Gallery" below).
5. The work projects not more than 12" from the wall, and is no smaller than 12" x 12" or larger than 72" x 72"; OR be a free-standing work. Discuss exceptions to these standards with the Arts Council staff before submitting work.
6. The content of the work is appropriate for the work place in which the gallery is located.

#### ENTRY FORM & FEES

An Entry Form (with fee information) must accompany each submission of images. *There is no entry fee for curated shows.* See Image Submission information below.

#### SUBMISSION OF VISUAL IMAGES

Submit your images via: 1) Email with a jpeg attachment with no image larger than 400 pixels (or smaller than 200 pixels) in any direction; 2) CD with jpeg images sized like an email attachment. Write name and phone number on CD. CDs will not be returned and will be destroyed; or 3) Printed 8"x10" images. All jpeg images submitted must be identified by artist name and title, e.g.: **LeonardoDaVinci-TheMonaLisa.jpeg**

Email entries to: [info@venturacountyartsCouncil.org](mailto:info@venturacountyartsCouncil.org)

Mail or hand-deliver entries to:

**Ventura County Arts Council**  
**646 County Square Drive, Suite 154**  
**Ventura, CA 93003 - 0436**

#### GALLERY MANAGEMENT

The Atrium Gallery is managed by the members of the VCAC Visual Arts Committee, comprised of accomplished artists, arts professionals, and arts advocates from across Ventura County. Jurors and Judges are selected based on the exhibit in question. The goal of the committee is to highlight and promote the breadth and diversity of the visual arts for the enrichment of the community.

#### ABOUT THE ATRIUM GALLERY

Some 3000 citizens and 1200 employees pass through the gallery daily. It covers three floors and some 400 linear feet of exhibit walls. There are also four pedestals for large-scale three-dimensional work, and three Lucite display cases to display and protect small works. There is limited space that can be cordoned-off for other free-standing artwork. Work is suspended from ceiling level tracks using cables. Light-weight work with Velcro-like patches can be attached directly to the limited number of carpeted walls. No mounting holes, nails, hooks, etc. are allowed on the gallery walls. While VCAC and the County are not liable for damage or loss, there is a 24/7 information kiosk within the gallery area.

## LIMITS ON SUBJECT MATTER

The gallery is located in a public office building where citizens must come daily to conduct business. Therefore, it is reasonable to limit the nature of the artwork exhibited to what this working environment finds acceptable. Nudity is typically not acceptable. Contact the VCAC office for further guidance.

## ARTWORK PREPARATION

All art must be clean and ready for display. It should be framed professionally. Submissions on stretched canvas can be submitted without framing if the edges are clean or painted as a continuation of the front image. Mounting hardware (e.g. cross-wires, eye-hooks, etc.) must be securely attached to the work and strong enough to support the work. Hanging wire should be attached a 1/4 (or less) the distance from the top of the piece so that it hangs parallel to the wall. The wire should be taught enough so that the hanging hooks on cables are not visible above the top of the artwork. **Absolutely no saw teeth or plastic framing.** Light-weight work may be attached to carpeted walls with hook & loop fasteners.

## SALES

Sales of work must be coordinated through the VCAC office so pick-up can be arranged and a modest commission collected (15% of from members and 25% from non-members of the Arts Council).

## LIABILITY & EXHIBITION CONDITIONS

The terms for participating in the exhibition are laid out on the Entry Form and address damage or loss of artwork; hold harmless clauses; and photographing images of artwork on exhibit.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

Ventura County Arts Council  
(805) 658-2213 (805) 658-2281 Fax  
[info@venturacountyartsCouncil.org](mailto:info@venturacountyartsCouncil.org)  
[www.VenturaCountyArtsCouncil.org](http://www.VenturaCountyArtsCouncil.org)

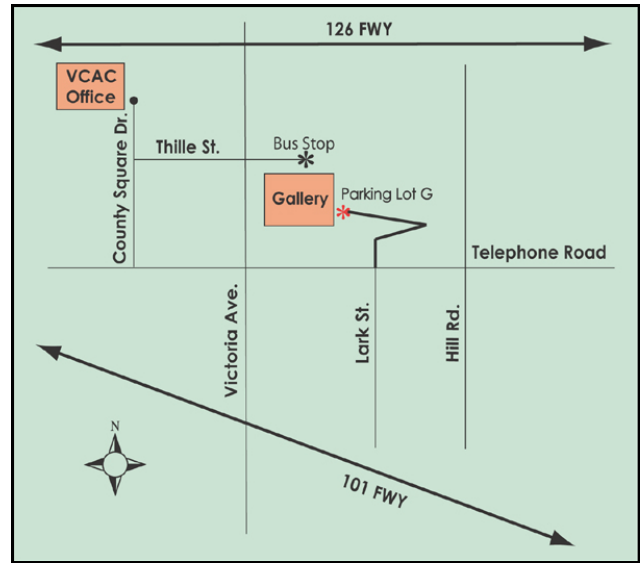
## VCAC OFFICE & GALLERY LOCATION

### Atrium Gallery:

Ventura County Government Center  
Hall of Administration  
800 S. Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA  
Viewing Hours: Mon. – Fri. 8 am – 5 pm

### VCAC Office:

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**Please see page 3 and 4 of this PDF  
for the Entry Form, Release and  
Labels for your Artwork**



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## ENTRY FORM

### VENTURA COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER ATRIUM GALLERY

I have read and agree to the conditions set forth in the prospectus for the exhibition I am entering; and those enumerated herein. Permission is granted to Ventura County Arts Council (VCAC) to photograph any entry for publicity purposes. I am aware that my artwork may be placed on the VCAC Web site unless I give written notification to VCAC before the opening to exclude images of my work from its website. Entry constitutes acceptance of all terms. VCAC reserves the right to make all final decisions regarding eligibility of work. I further agree to donate to the VCAC a 15% commission on sales generated from exhibit if I am a VCAC member and 25% commission if I am not a VCAC member.

Neither the VCAC nor the County of Ventura insure artwork. I hereby release the VCAC and the County of Ventura and any of their agents, representatives, board members, elected officials, officers, employees and patrons from damage, theft or loss of any artwork currently on display in the Atrium Gallery, Hall of Administration, County Government Center, 800 S. Victoria Ave., Ventura, CA. In addition, as an exhibitor, I hereby agree to defend, indemnify, and save harmless the County of Ventura, including all of its boards, agencies, departments, officers, elected officials, employees, agents and volunteers, against any and all claims, lawsuits, demands, judgments, and all liability including, but not limited to, monetary or property damage, lost profit, theft, personal injury, wrongful death, general liability, automobile accidents, arising directly or indirectly from my participation in the exhibit sponsored or conducted in whole or in part by the Ventura County Arts Council.

Artist Name (Please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Artist \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #s \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Web \_\_\_\_\_

Show Title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

~~Entry Fees for Competitive shows: Non-member — 1/\$20; 2/\$25; 3/\$30~~

~~Individual Member — 1/\$15; 2/\$20; 3/\$25 Artists Advantage — Entry Fee Waived~~

*No Entry Fee necessary for curated shows*

Payment Due: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ entries Membership: \_\_\_ \$35 (Individual); \_\_\_ \$75 (Artist Advantage)

TOTAL PAYMENT: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Payment method: \_\_\_ Check enclosed \_\_\_ VISA \_\_\_ MasterCard

Card No. \_\_\_\_\_ 3 digit code on back \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

**Submit Entry Form** to the Arts Council at the above “addresses” by: 1) E-mailing it; 2) FAXing it; or 3) Sending it US mail.

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## ARTWORK LABELS

Fill out the labels below, one for each artwork submitted. Submit this information with the rest of the Entry Form. Copy the filled-out labels and attach a label to each piece of artwork that is accepted into the subject art show.

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