



Prospectus

2024 MAA Show at Oasis Art Gallery, Bethesda, MD

We are delighted to return to the Oasis Art Gallery at Westfield Montgomery Mall. This show is the 6th MAA-Oasis collaboration.

Show dates: January 8 – April 19, 2024. The gallery is open Mondays through Thursdays from 10am – 4pm.

Location: Washington Metropolitan Oasis and the Oasis Art Gallery are inside the Macy's Home Store at Westfield Montgomery Mall, 7125 Democracy Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.

About the Oasis Art Gallery: [Washington Metropolitan Oasis](#) and the Oasis Art Gallery are part of the national, non-profit Oasis education organization dedicated to enriching the lives of adults age 50 and older through lifelong learning, health and wellness promotion and volunteer opportunities including Intergenerational Tutoring. Oasis brings people together to learn, lead, and contribute in their communities. Weekdays, the Oasis offices and Gallery are busy with Oasis class attendees, registrants, art lovers, as well as Macy's shoppers.

Media eligible for exhibition: Oil, acrylic, watercolor, mixed media, pastel, encaustic, drawing/ink mediums, hand pulled prints, photography and 3D works that can easily be wired and hung on a wall with picture hooks.

Subject: Artist's choice. There is no theme for this show.

Number of pieces allowed: Members may submit one entry. We can accommodate approximately 65 pieces. Members can also add a second entry during registration (Additional Artwork #2 on the registration form) that will be added if there is space in the show. You will be contacted by the show manager in the order in which you registered.

Registration dates: Registration starts Wednesday, November 15, 2023. It ends Wednesday, December 13, 2023, at 11:59 pm ET, or earlier, if show capacity of 65 pieces is reached.

Key Dates

Registration: November 15-December 13 (or sooner if capacity met)

Drop off: January 2& 3 10am-4pm

Show hanging: January 5 10:00-noon

Show: January 8 – April 19, 2024

Meet the Artists Reception: February 4, 2024 1-4pm

Pick up unsold works: April 22-23 10am-4pm

Dates subject to change; participants will be kept informed via email.

Entry fee: \$10 (nonrefundable)

Special Events: One or two MAA-member instructed art workshops may be offered during the show. Details will be shared with members as soon as available.

How to Register

Go to. Log in with your email address and password. You will be asked for:

- Artwork title using title case (example: River View)
- Media
- Framed size (width x height in inches)
- 1 image of your artwork (to be used for show promotional purposes)

Requirements

Entries: Entries submitted must be original work of the artist. The hand of the artist must be visible and dominant in constructing fine art works. Photography is allowed for this exhibit. MAA or Oasis Art Gallery reserves the right to refuse to display any artwork it deems incompatible with the nature and environment of the Oasis Art Gallery.

Size: The framed piece must be no larger than 28"x28" framed, and no smaller than 9x12". Weight limit is 15 lbs.

Framing & Hanging: All works must be framed and wired for hanging to professional standards. Use D-rings and weight-appropriate wire that is not visible when the painting is hung. Paintings on canvas do not require frames if the canvas is gallery-wrapped. Gallery wrapping is when the artwork is stretched and affixed onto stretcher bars. The canvas completely covers the stretcher bars and is attached to the back of the frame--no visible staples. The painting continues around the entire edge, wrapping around the edges so that your artwork is visible from all angles. No wet canvases, saw-toothed hangers, or flimsy framing. [Learn more.](#)

Label: Securely affix a label to the back of your work with your name, phone number, and title of the artwork.

Sales: Entries must be priced and available for sale for the duration of the show, January 8-April 24. The artist will receive the full selling price but is encouraged to donate 30% to Oasis to support their nonprofit educational programs. Oasis will manage sales. Credit cards will not be accepted. Sales tax will be collected on all sales and the artist will be responsible for reporting sales/filing taxes. Sold works must remain until the end of the show, except under extenuating circumstances. The Oasis Art Gallery will hold sold artwork for buyer pickup.

Drop-off: Drop off is Wednesday through Thursday, January 2 & 3, 10am-4pm. If you're unable to drop off at that time, we suggest posting a message on our [private Facebook group](#) to see if a fellow participant could drop off for you. (Volunteers who help to hang the show on Friday January 5 may bring their entries on that day at 10am.)

Reception: There will be an in person “Meet the Artists” reception on Sunday, February 4, 2024 from 1-4 pm.

Pick up: Unsold works should be picked up Monday-Tuesday April 22-23 from 10 am-4pm. If you’re unable to pick up at this time, we suggest you post a message on our [private Facebook group](#) to see if a fellow participant could pick up for you.

Volunteering: We are seeking volunteers to assist with the following. Indicate on your registration form if you are available for:

- **Curation and hanging:** 5-6 members would work together to curate the works in the gallery. You will need to arrange the works in pleasing design and hang them along with their labels.
- **Meet the Artists Event or Reception:** 5-6 members are needed to assist with organizing the event including setup and cleanup.

Directions to the Oasis Art Gallery: Click on the this link [Directions to Oasis Art Gallery](#) to access detailed instructions to the Oasis Art Gallery.

Affirmation

By submitting an entry, registrants agree with the following: I certify that I agree to the rules of the show as presented here. Entries submitted are my own work and not in violation of any copyright, trademark or other similar laws and regulations. By uploading an image of my work on the registration form, I agree to allow the Montgomery Art Association (“MAA”) and the Oasis Art Gallery (“venue”) to use the image for the purpose of promoting this event and/or the organization. I will not hold MAA or the venue responsible for copyright infringements of the image of my artwork. I also understand that care will be taken by volunteers and personnel in handling, hanging, and securing artwork for the show. However, neither MAA nor the venue will be held responsible for any loss or damage, and I understand that I am well advised to have my own insurance.

Questions

Email show co-managers:

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