

Islip Art Museum
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ANNUAL OPEN CALL 2018

Curated by Seung Lee
August 15 to October 3, 2018

Opening Reception: Saturday, August 25, 2018 1 PM to 4PM

The Islip Art Museum is pleased to announce our annual open call:

The Art of Meditation

For this Open Call, the Islip Art Museum asks artists to consider how art provides an escape into another realm of consciousness just as meditation provides a look into inner consciousness. Where does art's healing potential come from? It impacts the state of our minds just as meditation does.

We feel that creating art is a type of meditation, a training of the mind that allows us to increase awareness and emphasizes acceptance of feelings and thoughts without judgment. Meditation, like Art, allows us to create space between our often negative, anxious thoughts and connect with our true selves – as opposed to the *sometimes-false* sense of identity we have when we are caught up in our thoughts and emotions. Creating art is about reaching a state of consciousness and breaking free from the constant debilitating chatter of the mind. Or is it?

PLEASE NOTE THAT ISLIP ART MUSEUM WILL ONLY ACCEPT DIGITAL SUBMISSIONS

Email Submission Guidelines

- Subject line should include ***OPENCALL_2018 Submission_ Your Name***
- Submit work to our annual open call by ***email only. Artists are invited to submit up to three works for consideration.***
- ***There is NO FEE to submit work.***
- Email your submission to: ***IAMopencall2018@gmail.com***
- Only submissions emailed to this address will be considered.
- The body of your email should include the image details: Title, medium, size, and date.

Email Submission Guidelines (continued)

- Please submit no more than 3 images of each work using the following specifications (MAX 9 images)
- Digital images must be in JPEG format and no larger than 1724 pixels, 72 dpi.
- All files should be labeled with your name and title of work. E.g.: **Yourname_titleofwork.jpeg**
- File size: no larger than 1MB for each image - Slides will **NOT** be accepted
- Please submit only completed work, no work-in-progress accepted.
- If artwork requires special instructions and/or installation, please include in your submission as a word document.
- Submissions that do not follow ALL the above guidelines will not be considered.

Important Dates

- **DEADLINE for all email submissions: MUST BE RECEIVED BY July 18, 2018**
- **Artists accepted will be notified by email by July 25, 2018.**
- **IF art is accepted and is being shipped it must arrive at the museum no later than August 9, 2018. OR may be dropped off by August 7, 8, 9, 2018 between 10 – 4 PM**
- Selected work will be on view from August 15 to October 3, 2018.
- An artists' reception is scheduled for: August 25, 2018 from 1 PM – 4 PM
- Announcement cards (20) will be made available to all artists who are selected for the exhibition.

Requirements & Restrictions

- Work in any/ all media will be considered.
- **Participating artists are responsible for ALL shipping costs.**
- All work that is to be hung on walls **must be securely wired**. MAXIMUM SIZE: 48" x 48"
- Inappropriately presented work will not be accepted.
- No work previously exhibited at the Islip Art Museum will be accepted.
- All registration forms and labels will be given to you when you bring your work to the Museum. You do not need forms prior to this time.
- Please bring printed instructions and/or photographs of finished work with you if your work requires special handling, installation or display.
- Participation is limited to artists 18 years of age or older.

Liability

We will not accept work valued more than \$2,000. Work will be insured for the exhibition period only. By taking part in the open call, an artist agrees not to hold the Museum responsible for any loss or damage during the delivery, storage or curatorial process. The Museum staff will handle your submission with care but is not responsible for damage to fragile or poorly constructed items. Artists should keep in mind that their work may be moved frequently during the selection process.

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