



2023 ART EXHIBITION

MAY 19

5PM-9PM

MCENERY AUTOMATION

607 TAUROMEE AVENUE
KANSAS CITY, KANSAS 66101

CALL FOR ARTISTS

ENTRY PACKET

DEADLINE: MAY 5, 2023



Wyandot

Behavioral Health Network



stART the conversation

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About the Exhibition

Wyandot Behavioral Health Network is hosting an art exhibition during Mental Health Awareness Month to **stART the conversation** about mental health through art. We are searching for community artists who have a message to share about mental health. It is our mission to lift up diverse perspectives, engage our community in honest conversation about mental health, create change and raise awareness through art. We are calling for artists to submit their mental health-related art work. We would be honored to lift up your voice through this curated exhibition.

The stART the conversation art exhibition will take place on Friday, May 19, at McEnery Automation as part of the Downtown KCK Third Friday Art Walk in Strawberry Hill.

How to Enter

All artists in the Greater Kansas City area are invited to enter their artwork for inclusion in the stART the conversation art exhibit. Artists will be required to submit an entry form for each piece of artwork they wish to have displayed. There is a separate entry form for interested artists under the age of 18 and will require permission from a parent/guardian. **Entry forms must be submitted no later than Friday, May 5.**

All visual artwork entries must be dropped off at 757 Armstrong Avenue no later than Friday, May 5, unless alternative drop-off arrangements are made with event organizers. Completed entry forms may be dropped off at 757 Armstrong along with artwork or submitted via email to communications@wyandotbhn.org no later than May 5. We are currently accepting two (2) pieces of artwork per artist. If you are interested in submitting more than two pieces for this exhibition, please email communications@wyandotbhn.org

The stART the conversation art exhibit is open to a variety of art forms, including paintings, sculptures and performance art pieces, provided we can accommodate the artwork's needs in our exhibition space. If you have questions about whether your artwork can be accommodated in the space, please email communications@wyandotbhn.org.

As part of your entry materials, please email 2-3 photos of your artwork to communications@wyandotbhn.org. If you wish to enter a performance art piece, please send a link (YouTube, Vimeo or Facebook) or an audio or video file to communications@wyandotbhn.org.



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ART EXHIBITION ENTRY FORM

Deadline to Enter: Friday, May 5, 2023

Full Name:

Phone Number:

☐ Please check this box if you prefer for your artwork to be exhibited anonymously.

Address:

Email:

Artwork Title:

Artwork Medium:

Artwork Dimensions:

Artist Statement (Please include artwork's relation to mental health. Attach additional page if needed)

Artist Bio (Optional - Attach additional page if needed)

Please Circle One

- I am interested in speaking as part of the exhibition. Yes / No
- I consent to having Wyandot BHN retain my artwork for a 2-week period after the exhibition for an extended showcase. Yes / No
- I am interested in selling my artwork during the exhibition. Yes / No

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Submitting Artist Signature

Date



Informed Consent Form

Purpose:

stART The conversation is an art exhibition by Wyandot Behavioral Health Network (Wyandot BHN) to raise awareness of and destigmatize mental health. This exhibition is rooted in the empowerment of people with lived experience in the mental health system. The artwork displayed in this exhibition belongs to the artist. The artwork will be dropped off for exhibition and picked up at an agreed upon date. It is also required to complete an art entry form for each artwork entered. While the purpose of this exhibition is empowerment, advocacy, and destigmatization, you are encouraged to consider the risks, benefits, and how the public consumption of your artwork may impact your mental health.

Risks:

Artwork is deeply personal and may explore sensitive topics and experiences. Wyandot BHN cannot guarantee who will be present at the exhibition or how your artwork will be perceived by the public. In the public space, people may take photographs or videos of your work that may be posted online or in other public media spaces. In past years, the exhibition has garnered attention from local news outlets. This may result in news outlets speaking about/videotaping/photographing your artwork exhibited. While artworks are accepted from all community members, display of your artwork in an exhibition by Wyandot BHN may result in assumptions about you being a client of Wyandot BHN, resulting in confidentiality risks. Wyandot BHN offers no warranty and will accept no responsibility or liability for any claims, damages, losses, expenses, costs, or other general liabilities that may occur to artwork or personal property before, during or after said event. All participants accept responsibility for the care of any art whether displayed or not.

Benefits:

The mission of this exhibition is to lift up diverse perspectives, engage our community in honest conversation about mental health, create change, and raise awareness through art. Participation can be a healing and empowering experience. You may find yourself empowered, validated, and supported by the conversations and reactions to your artwork. This may result in feelings of fulfillment and purpose and an increase in self-esteem, self-worth, and self-acceptance. This exhibition could also be utilized as an opportunity to be better known by your support network and community. The exhibition of your artwork may empower others who relate to your work to open up about their own experiences.

I, _____, acknowledge that I have been informed of the purpose, risks, and benefits of participation in the stART the conversation art exhibition.



Release of Artwork

I, _____, consent for Wyandot Behavioral Health Network to use, display, and/or photograph my artwork, artist statement and/or artist bio for the following purposes:

Please initial all that apply:

☐ *Exhibition: I agree to have my artwork and any associated artist statement and/or artist bio displayed publicly as part of the 2023 stART the conversation art exhibition at McEnergy Automation on May 19, 2023.

☐ *Promotion of Exhibition: I agree to have my artwork, artist statement and/or artist bio featured on Wyandot BHN's communications channels (social media, website, newsletter, etc.) ahead of the exhibition as part of Wyandot BHN's promotional efforts.

☐ *Promotion of services: I agree to give Wyandot BHN the right to use my artwork to promote future services through its various communications channels (social media, website, newsletter, etc.).

* I acknowledge that I have been informed of the circumstances in which artwork, from both clients and non-clients of Wyandot BHN, will be used in exhibition and/or promotion of the exhibition and future services. I have been informed of the purpose, benefits, and risks of the display of artwork.

I grant this consent as a voluntary contribution in the interest of mental health education and advocacy. If applicable, any artwork will be displayed in a respectful and professional manner. If I choose to revoke this consent at any time in the future, such revocation can become effective by writing "Revoked" on this form, with the date and signature.

Signature of Authorizing Person

Date