



Call for Artists: Art Exhibit Highlighting Community Responses to Gender-Based Violence Now Accepting Visual Art

Summary

The Mayor's Office to End Domestic and Gender-Based Violence (ENDGBV) is hosting its 2nd annual art exhibit showcasing visual art pieces about gender-based violence (GBV). This exhibit will take place during the City's annual observance of the global campaign, 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence. The campaign seeks to raise awareness and inspire action at the community level to end GBV against people of all genders.

Our goal is to provide a platform for diverse artists who create work about GBV and its impact on individuals, families, and communities. The purpose of this exhibit is to explore the **community responses** to gender-based violence and showcase how people help prevent or address GBV in their families, neighborhoods, and other networks and/or provide support to survivors navigating their healing journeys. Community responses might include caring for others who have experienced GBV, mobilizing to raise awareness on and prevent GBV, or building capacity for communities to intervene and promote accountability when harm is done.

Submitted art should do one or more of the following:

- a) Honor and highlight the power of survivorship and what it means to be a survivor;
- b) Acknowledge the ways communities can prevent GBV and offer support to survivors as they heal;
- c) Recognize the resilience of marginalized communities and/or criminalized survivors;
- d) Commemorate those harmed or lost due to acts of GBV; and/or
- e) Educate others about some aspect of GBV and/or building healthy communities.

Artists may submit new work or work from previous collections for consideration. Visual art pieces of any medium (photography, paint, sculpture, drawing, graphic, illustration, videography, installation, or other) will be considered for selection.

How to Apply

Artists and artist groups of all ages who are living and working in New York City are welcome to apply. Artists who are survivors of GBV and/or from underserved communities (e.g. Black women and femmes, LGBTQ+ folks, people with disabilities) are strongly encouraged to apply.

Submit up to 8 images of your work, along with its accompanying description, and a brief artist statement (one-page maximum) to submityourartivism@gmail.com. The selection panel, led by exhibit curator Jasmine Castillo of Escape Artists, will include staff from ENDGBV. All work will be considered. Up to four pieces per artist or artist group will be selected.

The deadline for submissions has been extended to <u>Friday, October 18, 2019</u>. The exhibit will be showcased during the *16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence* campaign, between November 25th and December 10th.