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Artists Invited to Explore the Power of Art & Science at CenterFest 2020

January 2, 2020 – Artists can exhibit, compete, participate and sell at CenterFest 2020. The outdoor art festival is April 3-5, 2020 at The Center for Arts and Sciences, located at 400 College Blvd. in Clute, Texas.

CenterFest is a commission-free seller exhibit that includes a juried panel, cash prizes and publicity for the artists. “This year’s theme is ‘Futures Imagined’. We are asking artists to imagine transformations due to discoveries in technology, nature and humanity,” said Center executive director Wes Copeland.

Exhibitor Details

Artists can apply for a 10’x10’ outdoor booth space to fill with their original art, including painting, photography, sculpture or other media. Entries will be selected by a high-profile panel of jurors in and around the Greater Houston area. Cash prizes over \$2,000.00 will go to the artists with the best exhibits and to those that most creatively exemplify this year’s theme. The application fee is \$25.00, and submission is via [Zapplication](#). The \$75.00 booth fee includes access to electricity (wattage limits apply). The booth fee is waived if the artist submits an original piece for the event’s silent auction, minimum 12” x 12” (x 12”). Booths will be defined by 10’x10’ pop-up tents. Overnight security is provided but artists should consider the possibility of inclement weather when planning their exhibits.

Transformative Power

This year’s theme is meant to engage artists in the vision of The Center for the Arts & Sciences. “At The Center, we offer our visitors the opportunity to witness and participate in visual art displays, live music, educational activities and exhibits exploring the natural sciences on a daily basis,” Copeland said. “We believe that everyone should have access to art and science-based experiences because of their power to transform an individual’s perspective and world-view. Art allows visitors to see that world through the perspective of the artist.”

The Center Experience

The Center for the Arts & Sciences includes the Brazosport Museum of Natural Science, the BASF Planetarium, the Freeport LNG Theater, the Dow Arena Theater, an art studio and an art gallery. “This community values both the arts and our natural environment,” says Center director of communications, Patty Sayes. “Science-driven industries provide the economic backbone of this community. And this area was chosen specifically because of its natural resources. Environmental stewardship is a value embedded within the community.” Sayes goes on to say, “We are working to make participation beneficial to the artists by offering considerable cash prizes, enhanced publicity and a juror panel of respected figures in the art world.”

For more information or to apply to exhibit at CenterFest, visit www.bcfas.org/centerfest/.

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