

# WATER WONDERLAND OF MICHIGAN ART EXHIBITION

Presented by

The National Park Service

And

The River Raisin National Battlefield Park Foundation

Curators: Darlene Belair, Brandy Gerber, Becky Mullins

3<sup>rd</sup> in the Series

## “Beautiful Bountiful Michigan”

Exhibition dates: APRIL 2, 2022 to MAY 8, 2022

Grand Opening Gala: April 1, 2022, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Location: River Raisin National Battlefield Park Education Center

Address: 333 N. Dixie Highway, Monroe, MI 48162

**This is a gallery exhibition. There are no prizes awarded. There is no charge to exhibit your artwork.**

**\*\* All art must remain on exhibit through May 8, 2022, unless otherwise arranged with curator or Park Services \*\*.**

### **General Guidelines**

\*Art must have water depicted- a named lake, pond, river or stream in Michigan. It can include people, wildlife and flora. It can contain structures such as a lighthouse, barns, boats, bridges and more. The theme is “Water Wonderland of Michigan” so make sure your art depicts that. The registration will ask you to name where your subject is such as – River Raisin, Monroe, Mi., or Lake Michigan, Muskegon, Mi.

Artists do not have to live in Michigan to participate, the subject has to be in Michigan.

\*Mediums: Oil, Acrylic, Watercolor, Ink, Pencil, Charcoal, Pastel, Scratch Board, Wood Burning, Wood Carving, Stained Glass, Sculpture, Pottery/Ceramics, Mixed Media and Photography. Other mediums may be accepted if prior authorization is obtained. Contact Darlene at [dlbelair10@gmail.com](mailto:dlbelair10@gmail.com) if you have questions concerning other mediums.

\*Original art only, no prints, posters, abstracts, or duplicated class room art.  
Exception: photography prints.

\*Each artist may exhibit up to three (3) pieces of art.

\*Maximum size **36** inches wide x **36** inches long, including the frame, if framed. Canvas paintings must be framed, or gallery wrapped. Saw tooth hangers are not acceptable, and art should be wired and ready to hang. Sculptures must be able to set on a table or free standing on the floor and easily moved by one person, without mechanical assistance (maximum weight 30 lbs.). Stained glass must set on a table or on a floor easel; if it needs a special easel please provide one. The Battlefield may have easels available for your use.

\*Artwork deemed not suitable or not within guidelines may be rejected by the National Park Service or the curators.

\*Artwork ACCEPTANCE DATES and HOURS at the River Raisin National Battlefield Park Visitor & Educational Center are as follows:

- Wednesday, March 23, - 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Thursday, March 24, - 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Friday, March 25, - 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Saturday, March 26, - 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

\*Artwork PICK-UP DATES are Monday, May 9 through Sunday, May 15, 2022. Pick up times are during regular business hours, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. You will be ask to sign a check out sheet when picking up your art.

\*If you cannot drop off or pick up your art during these times, please call Darlene Belair at (734) 384-3617, please leave a message, txt (419)346- 7232, Darlene will call you back, txt or email [dlbelair10@gmail.com](mailto:dlbelair10@gmail.com) , to discuss options during business and non-business hours. No Art will be accepted after 5:00pm March 26, 2022.

### **Sales Related Information**

\*On the registration form PLEASE PRINT your name, title of art, medium, location of the subject and price you are asking or NFS (not for sale) if you do not wish to sell. A 15% added commission will be added to your sale price. The final price or NFS will be on the printed on the Title card by your art work. If sold the 15% commission will go to the Battlefield's Education Center. If the Battlefield Foundation (RRNBPF) purchases a piece of your art, they will pay the artist's price.

\*If your art is sold during the run of the exhibition, the RRNBPF will handle the sales transaction(s). Buyers may pick up their purchased art at the conclusion of the exhibition, and will be reminded by the curators (via email and/or phone.) If the art work needs to be shipped the artist will be responsible for making arrangements with the buyer. Artists will be notified upon sale of their art (via email and/or phone) and a check will be issued to the artist by the end of the exhibition. The RRNBPF has first rights of purchase if art is for sale.

\*Art purchased by the RRNBPF or the National Park Service will require releasing rights of the art work to be reproduced by the RRNBPF or the National Park Service for purposes of advancing the educational programming of the Battlefield.

\*Artist contact information will not be published or otherwise given without the permission of the artist.

### **Liability**

\*The River Raisin National Battlefield Park, the River Raisin National Battlefield Foundation and the curators will not be held liable for any damage to, loss of, or stolen artwork. Every precaution will be taken to secure and protect your art. We will not be responsible for inadequate wiring (for hanging) the artist has attached to their art. Please see Registration Form for additional information regarding liability.

### **Educational Programming at the River Raisin National Battlefield Park**

We are grateful for the support from the artists and our community and it's collective interest in being a part of "**Beautiful Bountiful Michigan**" exhibitions. We are busy working on educational programming such as student and adult art/craft classes, demonstrations and student art displays.

Programs that the Battlefield have previously presented include calligraphy, punched tin, Native American crafts, flint knapping, corn husk dolls, and teaching about the way the settlers in Frenchtown lived. The craft programs directly reflect the way things were done and made in the Frenchtown Settlement in the early 1800's. The Wildlife art teaches what animals lived in Michigan, and the Flora art will teach what plants and trees thrived here, and how they were used for food, medicinal purposes, building and everyday survival. Also through the Park's kayaking program visitors may see some of the wildlife and flora, and experience what the Frenchtown settlers did.

Spring of 2019 there were more than 3,000 students that came to the Park for Field trips, and 11,000 over the course of the entire year, to learn about the Untold Story of the War of 1812!

We hope that through our art we can educate all about the animals, plant life and places in our "**Beautiful Bountiful Michigan.**" Thank you once more for joining us!

### **THE GRAND OPENING GALA**

We are planning the Grand Opening Gala for April 1, 2022, 6:00pm to 9:00pm  
Ticket price will be \$25.00, at the door Gala night \$30.00. Ticket will include heavy Hors d'oeuvres and desserts, 1 ticket for a complimentary glass of wine, beer or other beverage,

also a cash bar for additional beverages, featuring Michigan Wines. In addition there will be a silent auction, 50-50 drawing and entertainment. 🎵🎵🎵 More could be added!  
Starting in March tickets will be available on line and at the RRNBP VISITOR CENTER.  
333 N. Dixie Hwy, Monroe, Mi. IT'S GOING TO BE A FUN EVENING SO DON'T MISS IT!

**Registration Form**

3 ways to register: 1) Copy & fill out the registration form and bring it with you when you check in your artwork. 2) Fill out the registration form when you bring in your art, we will have extra copies available. Or 3) Copy & fill out a registration form and mail to: Darlene Belair, Attn: Art Exhibition, 311 Bates Lane, Monroe, MI 48162. Or email it to [dlbelair10@gmail.com](mailto:dlbelair10@gmail.com)

A 15% commission will be added to the artist price by the Battlefield Foundation. Commission from purchased art will go to the Battlefield's art and educational programs.

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY \*\*\*\*\*PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY\*\*\*\*\*PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

Artist \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Text \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

\*Title of art #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Subject location \_\_\_\_\_

Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_ or write NFS (not for sale)

\*Title of art #2 \_\_\_\_\_ Subject location \_\_\_\_\_

Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_ or write NFS (not for sale)

\*Title of art #3 \_\_\_\_\_ Subject location \_\_\_\_\_

Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_ or write NFS (not for sale)

\*Permission to give your contact information to purchasers, as needed.

Please sign \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*Liability: The River Raisin National Battlefield Park, the River Raisin National Battlefield Park Foundation, and the curators will not be held liable for any damage to, loss of, or stolen artwork. Every precaution will be taken to secure and protect your art. We will not be

responsible for inadequate wiring (for hanging) that the artist has attached to their art. Any claims for liability arising out of National Park activities are governed by the Federal Tort Claims Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2671-80.

Please sign \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*Artwork PICK-UP DATES are Monday, May 9, 2022 through Sunday, May 15, 2022, during regular business hours- 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

A volunteer will be able to assist you. You will be asked to sign a check out sheet.

If these times change, we will email you. If your art has not been picked up by the close of business at 6:00 p.m. by July 30, 2022 or if arrangements for pickup have not been made with Darlene Belair at [dlbelair10@gmail.com](mailto:dlbelair10@gmail.com) Or calling RRNBPF at 734-639-2345, the art will be considered abandoned property. In accordance with 36 CFR §2.22, any artwork or property left after December 31, 2022 shall be considered unattended property and will be impounded by the National Park Service. Abandoned property shall be handled in accordance with title 41§102 of the code of the Federal Regulations. We will make several attempts to contact you.

Please sign \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*If the National Park Service or the RRNBPF purchases your art, you give permission and rights to reproduce your art in such formats as calendars, cards, post cards, posters, etc. for the purpose of raising money for the Park's educational programming. A portion of the proceeds may be used to promote of "**Beautiful Bountiful Michigan**" art exhibitions, and/or for easels and display panels etc. You may be asked to sign another release form used by the National Park Service or the RRNBPF.

The River Raisin National Battlefield Park is not asking for exclusive rights; the artist retains the rights also.

Please sign \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_


Please fill out one form for each piece of art, and attach to the back of or include with your art. This form will also be available at check in. **“PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY”**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Art \_\_\_\_\_

Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Subject location \_\_\_\_\_

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\*\*\*\*\* **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** \*\*\*\*\*

ART EXHIBITION SERIES  
BEAUTIFUL BOUNTIFUL MICHIGAN

1<sup>st</sup> — Wildlife of Michigan, 2019

2<sup>nd</sup> — Flora of Michigan, 2021

3<sup>rd</sup> — Water Wonderland of Michigan, 2022

4<sup>th</sup> — Scenic Michigan

5<sup>th</sup> — To be Determined