

The University Heights Arts Association

## The Beauty in Our Backyard 2018 Gardening Art Competition

**Overview.** A program of the University Heights Arts Association (UHAA), the "Beauty in Our Backyard Garden Art Competition invites artists to submit their best two-dimensional garden art for consideration. Three cash prizes will be awarded plus an exhibition of the top 25 finalists work. As part of the grand prize, the first place winner's art will be used by the UHAA to create the official poster that will advertise the Samuel P. Capen Garden Walk. All participants are eligible to include their work in the "Soil, Seeds & Secrets inaugural book as well as other garden art publications produced by the UHAA.

**Guidelines.** Artwork may be in the form of a painting, photograph, drawing, illustration, digital art or mixed media art. Artwork must be original and creative. Clip art, pictures copied from magazines or other copyrighted images will not be accepted. If working digitally, the final (print quality) art/photo must be 300 dpi at 20 united inches (10 x 10 or 8 x 12 in., etc.) or larger. The design should be able to accommodate text but should NOT include any text on the artwork.

The exhibition, held local venues as part of the UHAA ARTpartnering Program, will host the top 25 selected works plus additional work as space allows. Work for the exhibition must be framed at a minimum size of 20 united inches ( $10 \times 10$  or  $8 \times 12$  in., etc.) and a maximum size of 60 united inches, and ready to hang to our instructions.

For each submission, please email up to five high quality .jpg images of the artwork to: **information@uhartsgroup.com**. Do not email more than 15 mb. of images at a time. Submissions must also include the information below in the body of the email. Place "Garden Art Submission" in the subject line of your email.

**Prizes.** 1<sup>st</sup> -\$100. plus feature on poster; 2<sup>nd</sup> -\$50., 3<sup>rd</sup> -\$25. The work of the top 25 finalists will be featured in the "Beauty in Our Backyard" exhibition.

**Additional Opportunities.** All entries are eligible for inclusion in the inaugural issue of the "Soil, Seeds and Secrets" publication, plus additional publications poduced by the UHAA.

Name Address Dimensions Medium (painting, etc.) Telephone Submission Description	IMPORTANT DATES Jan. 4-Feb. 28: Submissions accepted March 10: Winners announced
Entries are due by Wednesday, February 28, 2018. The 17th annual Samuel P. Capen	March 24: Poster Unveiled July 10: Exhibition Drop-off
Garden Walk will take place on Saturday, July 14, 2018 in the University District of Buffalo and communities surrounding the South Campus of the University at Buffalo. Questions? Contact us at <u>information@uhartsgroup.com</u> or telephone 833-6260	<ul> <li>July 11: Exhibition opens</li> <li>July 14: Capen Garden Walk (10:00 a.m4:00 p.m.) Artist's Reception 5:00 p.m7:00 p.m.) Capen Garden Evening Walk (8:00 p.m10:00 p.m.)</li> <li>August 25<sup>th</sup>: Exhibition closes; work retrieved by artists</li> </ul>