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PICTURE ME!

The Artistic Self-Portrait in the 21st Century

Self-portraits have been an artistic expression of self for centuries from Michelangelo who depicted himself twice in the Sistine Chapel's *The Last Judgment* (both as St. Bartholomew and as flayed skin held by St. Bartholomew) to Rembrandt who portrayed himself more than 90 times during his lifetime. Taking the self-portrait beyond the canvas, abstract sculptor Louise Nevelson depicted herself in black painted wood with a wall-sized piece titled, *Self-Portrait: Silent Music IV*. Today, new media are allowing artists to redefine the self-portrait as witnessed in the millions of pixilated images that are e-mailed, IM'ed, posted on Facebook and printed from the home computer everyday. How do you define self-portrait?

The Del Ray Artisans' All-Member Show, *PICTURE ME! The Artistic Self-Portrait in the 21st Century* is your opportunity to portray yourself as you truly are, wish you were, or pray that you are not. Be a part of this redefining exhibition, all are invited to submit works in any style or medium.

Submission Guidelines and Exhibition Requirements:

- Open to all current DRA members.
- Entry fee \$2.00/piece.
- Artists may submit up to three (3) original works of which each member is guaranteed one (1) accepted.
- No reproductions, other than original photographs will be accepted.
- All media are welcome and must be submitted in ready to hang or display, framed and/or finished in a neat professional manner suitable to the medium. All 2D works must have screw eyes and hanging wire on back. 2D works on paper (watercolor, pencil, pastel, charcoal) must be framed under glass or plexi. Unframed paintings must have sides finished, painted, and/or otherwise integrated into the overall design of the artwork.
- Show participants are required to help in one of the following: Gallery Sitting; hanging and Gallery prep; Opening reception; Refreshments; Cleaning up, Breakdown, etc. Please bring your calendars with you to receiving so you can confirm your availability.
- Permission to photograph artwork is considered granted unless otherwise stated by the artist in writing.
- No work can be removed for the duration of the exhibition. The artist is responsible for insuring the artwork. Neither DRA nor the City of Alexandria can be held liable for any damage or loss.
- All work must be picked up at the close of the show, Saturday, October 4, 2008 from 6 – 7 p.m. or Sunday, October 5, 2008 10 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- **Sales:** Work may be for sale or marked NFS. If your work sells, a 20% donation to DRA is expected. DRA is a 501(c)(3) organization.



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Artist Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (day): _____ (evening) _____

e-Mail: _____

Submission 1

Title	Medium	Price

Submission 2

Title	Medium	Price

Submission 3

Title	Medium	Price

I agree to abide by the policies and regulation set forth in this call for entry. I hereby release the Del Ray Artisans, the officers, the board of directors and the City of Alexandria from any responsibility or personal liability to me from any damage, claims or loss in connection with this show.

Signed: _____ Date: ____/____/____

PICTURE ME! Exhibition Calendar September 12 – October 4, 2008

Sunday, Sept. 7	12 – 4 p.m.	Receiving (drop off at Del Ray Gallery)
Monday, Sept. 8	6 – 8 p.m.	Receiving (drop off at Del Ray Gallery)
Friday, Sept. 12	7 – 10 p.m.	Opening Reception
Saturday, Oct. 4	10 a.m. – 6 p.m.	Art on the Avenue (Gallery Open)
Saturday, Oct. 4	6 – 7 p.m.	Pick up
Sunday, Oct. 5	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Pick up

Gallery Hours: Thurs. 12–4 p.m.; Fri. 12–4 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.–4 p.m.; Sun. 12–4 p.m.
Gallery: Del Ray Artisans Gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave, Alexandria, VA 22301
703-838-4827 or www.TheDelRayArtisans.org

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