

## **Art LAB – Call to Artists**

- All Tampa Bay area painters over the age of 18 are invited to enter **Art LAB**, an arts fest and live painting contest presented by Thornhill Foundation for the Arts.
- Only 25 artist slots available.
- **Deadline is 12:00 p.m., Saturday, September 2, 2017.**
- To register, email Sarah at [ThornhillFoundationfortheArts@gmail.com](mailto:ThornhillFoundationfortheArts@gmail.com)

Art LAB will take place in Ybor City (Tampa) on November 5 in Centennial Park. It is a one-of-a-kind arts festival. Artists will have 2 hours to produce their own painting from start to finish. Entry is \$10 and includes a 12 x 12 canvas. Artists will bring their own easels and other materials. A theme will be announced 10 minutes before the contest begins.

All artworks will be up for Silent Auction both during the live painting and until the winner is announced at 3:00. Silent Auction proceeds will be split 50/50 between the artist and TFA.

## **Prizes**

- Winner: \$150 cash & the opportunity for a solo gallery show (with artist reception) at the Carrollwood Cultural Center during May & June of 2018
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Tampa Museum of Art Annual Membership (1 year) & a \$50 Blick Gift Card
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Tampa Museum of Art Annual Membership (1 year)

## **Guidelines for Entry**

- The contest is open to all painters over the age of 18 residing in Tampa Bay.
- Artists will have 2 hours to produce their own painting from start to finish on a 12 x 12 canvas based on a theme will be announced 10 minutes before the contest begins.
- To qualify, artwork cannot contain nudity, violence or overt political overtones. No exceptions.
- Any work which does not adhere to the theme and/or any unprofessionally-presented work will be disqualified from both the competition and the exhibition.

- Aerosols/spray paint is not permitted. No exceptions.
- Entry is \$10 and includes a 12 x 12 canvas. Walk-up entry fee is \$40 and dependent upon availability.
- Artists will bring their own easels and other materials.
- Each artist must check-in at registration (in person), sign a waiver and pay any unpaid entry fee (for walk-up entry only).
- All art work must be uniquely created by the artist who is registered with TFA, created without assistance, whether mechanical, photographic, or other persons, and must be completed during the allotted production time.
- Entries will be judged by a distinguished panel of jurors based on concept and originality. Jurors' decisions are final.
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- TFA reserves artist slot only upon completed registration and receipt of entry fee.
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