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Call for Artists: Adkins Arboretum to Sponsor 2017 Juried Art Show

Adkins Arboretum in Ridgely, Md., will sponsor its eighteenth annual Juried Art Show, to exhibit in February and March 2017. The theme of the show—*Discovering the Native Landscapes of Maryland's Eastern Shore*—celebrates the Arboretum's mission of conservation. The Leon Andrus Award, in honor of the Arboretum's first benefactor, will be presented to the first-place entry. A second-place award also will be given.



“Place of Passage,” a work on paper by Glyndon, Md., artist Pamela Phillips, received the first-place Leon Andrus Award in Adkins Arboretum’s 2016 Juried Art Show. Submissions are being accepted for the 2017 show.

The juried show is open to original two- and three-dimensional fine arts in all mediums, including outdoor sculpture and installations. It will be juried by Katherine Markoski, Director of the Kohl Gallery and a lecturer in art history at Washington College. A recipient of the Dedalus Foundation Dissertation Fellowship and a Smithsonian American Art postdoctoral fellow, Markoski has worked as a curatorial assistant at the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden and has taught courses on modern and contemporary art at American University, George Washington University, the Maryland Institute College of Art and Oberlin College. She holds a PhD in the history of art from Johns Hopkins.

The deadline for submissions is Dec. 30, 2016. Digital images of up to three pieces of art by each artist should be sent to art@adkinsarboretum.org. Submissions should include title, medium, dimensions (maximum of 6 feet in any direction, excluding outdoor sculpture), and artist's name, address and phone number. Works should reflect or interpret broadly the show's theme of wild nature and landscapes of the Mid-Atlantic coastal plain region.

Artists whose work is selected will be contacted by Jan. 13 to submit the original work ready to hang by Jan. 28. The exhibit will run from Jan. 31 to March 31, 2017, with a reception on Sat., Feb. 11 from 3 to 5 p.m. There is no entry fee, but artists are responsible for all shipping expenses. Selected artists may be considered for future exhibits at the Arboretum.

For more information, visit adkinsarboretum.org, call 410-634-2847, ext. 0 or send e-mail to info@adkinsarboretum.org.

The 2017 Juried Art Show is part of Adkins Arboretum's ongoing exhibition series of work on natural themes by regional artists.

CUTLINE: "Place of Passage," a work on paper by Glyndon, Md., artist Pamela Phillips, was awarded first prize in Adkins Arboretum's seventeenth annual Juried Art Show, *Discovering the Native Landscapes of Maryland's Eastern Shore*. Submissions are being accepted for the 2017 juried show.

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Adkins Arboretum is a 400-acre native garden and preserve at the headwaters of the Tuckahoe Creek in Caroline County. Open year round, the Arboretum offers educational programs for all ages about nature and gardening. For more information, visit adkinsarboretum.org or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0.

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