

The Joy of SMARTS Artist Package

April 13, 2022

Dear SMARTS Friends:

SMARTS, Students Motivated by the Arts, is a community art school that has a long history in our region providing *free classes to PK-12 students* in visual art, music, dance, theater, and creative writing. SMARTS provides arts classes both during and after school at our Ohio One facility and out in the community at schools and other youth organizations. This year, we had over 50 SMARTS teachers working with more than 3,500 students here at SMARTS and in the community!



We have renamed our past event, Art for SMARTS, to **The Joy of SMARTS** in honor of our friend and past SMARTS Circle member, Joy White. Joy was a lifetime resident and local artist who created this event to help us to raise funds while we were transitioning to the community as a stand-alone 501(C)(3). The first event was held in the fall of 2015 before we renovated our new home in the Ohio One Building. Joy created all of the marketing and event materials including the logo and she nearly single-handedly put the event together because she believed in our mission. We are grateful for her vision and are proud to continue her legacy with this year's **The Joy of SMARTS** event.

The Joy of SMARTS will take place on Friday, June 24 from 5:30-9:30 pm at our facility in the Ohio One Building in downtown Youngstown. It will be an extraordinary celebration of art, music, and merriment in support of SMARTS. Guests will bid on their favorite works of art from local and regional artists, hear live acoustic music by the Labra Brothers, watch a demonstration on the potter's wheel by Elena Labra (SMARTS artist-in-residence), and purchase art and swag from the SMARTS Store. This is an adult event, so be ready to enjoy light appetizers and a cash bar featuring a bourbon taste, wine, and Modern Methods Brewing Company!

We are reaching out to emerging and established artists to ask you to consider donating one or more pieces of your art for our sale at this event. **Our goal is to acquire 100 (or more!) original works that will be auctioned or sold at this event.** All contributing artists will be recognized in the digital event program and press materials (where applicable). VIP Tickets for this fundraiser will cost \$50 each for the Preview from 5:30-6:30 pm and \$25 General Admission from 6:30-9:30 pm.

If you donate your work, *you will be on the VIP guest list (Value \$50) to attend for free and receive a SMARTS gift.* You will be able to meet and mingle with patrons and friends of SMARTS and enjoy an arts filled evening at SMARTS. All proceeds will support SMARTS Public programming. After the event, you will receive a letter for tax purposes regarding your donation.

Requirements for donated works are as follows:

1. All donations must be original artwork/s created by an artist. We will accept signed and numbered prints, paintings, photography, drawings, sculpture, ceramics, arts services, arts lessons, arts related gift cards or certificates, handmade clothing or shoes, floral, and/or historical signed pieces. They can be either decorative, commercial, and/or fine art.
2. We prefer donations to be display-ready but SMARTS can provide assistance (please contact us for more details).
3. Please complete the attached donation form. *Artwork will be accepted through June 10, 2022.*
4. Images of original work may be used for publicity and/or promotional purposes and printed in the event program.

Please feel free to contact or Becky Keck, SMARTS President at 330-574-2787, or bkeck@smartsartschool.org if you would like

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more information. You can visit the SMARTS website at www.SmartsArtSchool.org/JOS22 where you can see up to date information on the event.

We would truly appreciate the donation of your work/s to help us to make this event a success. We look forward to hearing from you and enjoying an evening of great art together.

All the best,

Rebecca L. Keck, SMARTS President

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Artist Information

www.SmartsArtSchool.org/JOS22

Artist Contact Information

Name (First and Last): _____

Business Name (If different): _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Email: _____

I wish to include the following information in the event catalog (please mark):

Name Business Name Email Website Other

Website: _____

Telephone: _____

SMARTS Donation Information

I will deliver the work on this date:

June 6, 2022/ noon – 6:00 pm

June 7, 2022/ noon – 6:00 pm

June 8, 2022/ noon – 6:00 pm

June 9, 2022/ noon – 5:00 pm

June 10, 2022/ noon – 4:00 pm

Ohio One Building, 25 East Boardman Street, Youngstown, Ohio 44503, 330-574-2787.

SMARTS Entrance is on Boardman Street. You can pull right in front of our door at the 30-minute drop-off zone and bring your artwork inside. Feel free to call ahead to let us know you are coming.

Title of Work: _____

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Title of Work: _____

Years Created: _____

Medium Description: _____

Size (Inches x Inches): _____

Artist Bio (Please keep to 100 words or less):

Please contact me to schedule pick-up: _____

By signing this document, I acknowledge that images of my work may be used for promotional and/or publicity purposes as well as printed in the event catalog. I attest that my donation meets the requirements of donated works (see donation letter).

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Information on the event

JOIN US as we celebrate with art, music, & merriment to support SMARTS in honor of the legacy of our friend & past SMARTS Circle member, Joy White. Bid on your favorite works from local & regional artists, hear live acoustic music by the Labra Brothers, watch a demonstration on the potter’s wheel by Elena Labra (SMARTS artist-in-residence), & purchase art & swag from the SMARTS Store. This is an adult event so be ready to enjoy light appetizers & a cash bar featuring a bourbon taste, wine, & Modern Methods Brewing Company!

WHO: Anyone who loves art and wants to support quality arts education in the Mahoning Valley.

WHEN: Friday, June 24 5:30-9:30 pm
VIP Preview Party-5:30-6:30 pm
Main Event-6:30-9:30 pm

Tickets are limited:
\$50 VIP \$25 Main Event
Order tickets or make a donation: www.SmartsArtSchool.org/JOS22

Artists will receive 1 ticket (valued at \$50) and it will be for entire event including VIP, 5:30-9:30 pm.

SMARTS Mission

“SMARTS community art school provides access and early training in the arts for our region’s K-12 youth with a focus on underserved populations. SMARTS engages public and private organizations, schools, and artists in cooperative projects designed to enrich our community, promote student achievement, inspire self-discovery, and impact cultural and academic literacy through fine and performing arts.”

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