



## Call for Entry

### 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Durham West Arts Centre Studio Tour Open to Ontario Artists and Artisans

Durham West Arts Centre presents  
The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual DWAC Studio Tour  
Saturday, April 22 & Sunday, April 23, 2017  
10:00 am to 5:00 pm

#### Application & Guidelines for Artists

For the past nine years, the Durham West Arts Centre has presented the Studio Tour as part of its commitment to art education and support for local artists. For two days each spring, area studios and artists welcome the public to view artwork, watch demonstrations and learn more about various creative productions within the region. This event is an excellent opportunity for local artists and artisans to showcase and sell their work from their host studios and sites which may otherwise not be regularly open to the public. The tour is self-guided and free of charge for visitors. Application is open to all artists and fine craft artists living and working in the Durham Region or invited guests working within the region.

The Durham West Arts Centre Studio Tour is a juried event. Each year, the jury strives to achieve a fresh and interesting mix of new and returning artists and to include artists working in a variety of media.

#### The artists must be members of the Durham West Arts Centre: the artists must be

- committed, working at a competent level and viewed as such by their peers.
- must have a functioning studio space (or willing to be placed at a host site) and display their work so it can be readily viewed by the public.
- must have original works, created by the artist, including but not limited to the following: painting, photography, drawing, sculpture, pottery, blown glass, carving, fibre art, printmaking, collage, stained glass, weaving and jewelry.

#### Jury Selection is based on the following criteria:

- quality of the artist's work (original work only)
  - balance and variety of media
  - geographical location (distribution throughout Durham Region)
  - ease of access to the studio
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- the selection jury is composed of artists, DWAC staff and board members
  - not all applications may be accepted and the decisions of the selection jury are final

The Durham West Arts Centre is responsible for:

- administration
- brochure and poster production and distribution
- production and maintenance of website
- recruitment of sponsors and advertisers
- publicity, promotion, and marketing
- production and allocation of directional signs
- managing the budget and payments for tour related activities

Artists are responsible for:

- applications and support material delivered to DWAC on time and complete fees and requested material supplied timely
- distribution of artist's share of brochures and posters
- posting and removing directional studio tour signs
- ensuring studio space is safe and prepared to welcome visitors as well as guest artists should you be a hosting artist
- ensuring adequate liability insurance for the artist's studio. House insurance alone does not necessarily provide adequate coverage. DWAC takes no responsibility for personal loss or damage due to inadequate liability coverage at the site artist's locations.
- selling own artwork, accepting commissions, recruiting for classes, and offering/distributing promotional material
- offering demonstrations during the tour
- maintaining open studios both days of the tour and being available to the public
- assistance at the artist's studio at all times for rest breaks and safety
- keeping and reporting visitor statistics to DWAC

**Application Deadline: Saturday, October 15, 2016**

Artists will be notified of acceptance by November 1, 2016. Artists not accepted for the 2017 Tour will have their cheques returned. **Full Studio Tour fee payment is due upon acceptance to the tour. The fee for 2017 is \$ 150.00 plus membership dues if not already paid. Please make cheques payable to Durham West Arts Centre.** Withdrawal with refund is permitted only until print deadline November 15th, 2016.

**Please mail the completed application and required support material to:**

Mail to:	Drop off: Durham West Art Centre
Studio Tour	Pottery and Arts Studio
Durham West Arts Centre	Pickering Recreation Complex
P.O. Box 667	1867 Valley Farm Road
Pickering, ON, L1V 3T3	Pickering, ON

2017 Organizing Committee Contacts

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## Artist's Application Form

● Artist Name:

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● Mailing Address:

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● Studio Location:

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● Telephone:

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● Website:

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● Studio capacity:

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● Barrier-free access: Yes  No

● Public transit access: Yes  No

● Parking: Yes  No  (approximately .....spots on street  / property )

Please check one: I wish to be an Artist in the 2017 Studio Tour as \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Artist \_\_\_\_\_ Host Artist of: \_\_\_\_\_

All artists wishing to be part of the DWAC 2017 Studio Tour must have a paid up membership in one of the categories below:

DWAC Membership Fee: Individual \$ 25, Student / Senior \$ 20, Family \$30

Currently a paid DWAC member for 2016 ? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Total Fee Payable \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Required Application Support Material:**

1. Artist's biography including education, exhibition history (60 word limit)
2. Artist's statement i.e. artistic vision, choice of media (100 word limit)
3. 5 (five) digital photographs in JPG format at 300 dpi showing current work on a CD, emailed to the Organizing committee (details below) or on a data stick. Note media, size, date, title if applicable.
4. Completed Application Form
5. Cheque payable to DWAC - \$150.00 application fee and \$25.00 registration fee (if not current DWAC member)

I have read and agree to the terms in the Durham West Arts Centre's Studio Tour 2017 Application Guidelines.

Please keep a copy of this application form for your own records.

Applicant's Signature:

\_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please forward completed Application Form and required Support Material by Saturday, October 15th, 2016**