CONTEMPORARY.



Open Call for Student Artists!

Eligibility: Middle and High School Bexar County residents (6th – 12th grade)

Application Deadline: Saturday, September 30, 2023 at 5:00pm

Call Description: In partnership with the San Antonio Food Bank and the Contemporary at Blue Star, Seva-Art is inviting young Bexar County artists in grades 6th–12th to submit work that tells a story. This call is a juried exhibition open to all mediums created within the past year and selected works will be judged for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and honorable mention awards. Selected works will have the opportunity to be sold and proceeds will be shared with the artist and the San Antonio Food Bank in support of Seva-Art's 'Community Builds Community' mission.

About the Contemporary: Contemporary at Blue Star was founded for artists by artists in 1986 in a grassroots movement. Six art supporters and artists founded Contemporary Art for San Antonio to provide an exhibition venue for artists and the public. The Contemporary has grown to now encompass a robust calendar of onsite and offsite exhibitions, community collaborations, international exchange opportunities for artists, public art projects, and creative youth development programs with Creative Classrooms and the MOSAIC Student Artist Program.

About Seva-Art: Community builds community. Seva-Art is a non-for-profit that was started by a 14-year-old girl, Rabani Bajaj, who has a passion for arts and the San Antonio community. Seva-Art's mission is to cultivate San Antonio students' talent for art through this youth showcase while supporting the greater community. This is the first of what will be an annual event going forward.

Application Requirements: Fill out the <u>online application</u>. There is a section to upload a minimum of 1 artwork from within the last year. Additionally, give a response to the prompt on the application.

Selection Information:

Selected artists will be notified by 5pm on October 13, 2023 and will be exhibited for one night on Friday November 3, 2023 at the MOSAIC Studio at the Contemporary. The selection process is based entirely on how well each artwork tells a story and the artists response to the application question.

Important Dates:

Friday, September 1, 2023: Online application opens Saturday, September 30, 2023, 5pm: Application deadline Friday, October 13, 2023, 5pm: Selection notification

Friday, November 3, 2023, 6pm: Exhibition and reception (1 night only)

For any questions or more information please contact:

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