



# Creative Pathways

CELEBRATING THE NEURODIVERGENT COMMUNITY

## Call for Submissions

**A Juried Art Exhibition Celebrating the Neurodivergent Community**

**September 21, 2024 - January 4, 2025**

The Tom Thomson Art Gallery, in partnership with the Reach Centre Grey Bruce and Georgian Bay School of the Arts, invites local artists who self-identify as neurodivergent to submit up to 5 artworks to be showcased in a juried art exhibition at the Art Gallery from September 21, 2024 – January 4, 2025. The theme of this group show is “community” and artwork should offer individual interpretation of this topic. This project aims to unite artists, break down barriers, challenge stereotypes, and highlight the immense talent and creative energy of neurodivergent artists in our region.

**There will be a panel of 6 Jurors:**

**Aidan Ware**, Director and Chief Curator, Tom Thomson Art Gallery

**Jennifer Miller**, Executive Director, Reach Centre Grey Bruce

**Morag Budgeon**, Executive Director, Georgian Bay School of the Arts

**Marc Matei**, Art Facilitator, Reach Centre Grey Bruce

**Shannon Bingeman**, Assistant Curator, Tom Thomson Art Gallery

**Heather McLeese**, Curator of Public Projects & Education, Tom Thomson Art Gallery

**SCHEDULE:**

**Deadline for submission**

July 15, 2024 at 5:00pm

**Notification of acceptance**

July 31, 2024

**Delivery of accepted artwork by**

September 1, 2024

**Opening Reception:**

September 28, 2024 at 2:00pm – 4:00pm

**Exhibition Runs:**

September 21, 2024 – January 4, 2025



**Important notice:** Artists submitting support material that does not correspond to the following requirements and guidelines may result in their application being considered incomplete, resulting in its withdrawal from the jury process. Please ensure you follow all submission requirements and guidelines below and please contact **Heather McLeese** at [hmcleese@tomthomson.org](mailto:hmcleese@tomthomson.org) if you have questions or need further clarification around requirements.

**Submissions Requirements:** The Tom Thomson Art Gallery is committed to diversity and creating a culture of inclusion. We encourage submissions from all artists who self-identify as neurodivergent.

1. The call for entry is open to all artists residing in the Grey-Bruce region who self-identify as neurodivergent.
2. Both two-dimensional and three-dimensional artworks in all media will be accepted.
3. All work must be ready to hang. All works must be of a reasonable size and weight for display in a group exhibition.
4. Artists can submit up to 5 works, but please note that all 5 works may not be selected. Each entry may be represented by up to 3 images for a total number of 15 images. We recommend that multiple views be submitted for three-dimensional works.
5. Artists are responsible for delivering artwork(s), along with completed submission form to the Art Gallery on or before the deadline of **September 1, 2024**.

**1. Please submit all entries by email only** (no file transfer links or mailed in submissions) to **Heather McLeese** at [hmcleese@tomthomson.org](mailto:hmcleese@tomthomson.org) by July 15, 2024. Maximum of 15 digital images (JPG format, max size of 1.5 MB each) and/or links to video excerpts (8 minutes max) of recent work.

**2. Submission Form** – please read and complete the Submission Form thoroughly including artist information section and details for all artwork submission(s). Please email a copy of the submission form with your art entries.

**3. Separate PDF Files** – These documents are not mandatory but encouraged with submission for additional information for the jurors to review and to learn more about your artistic process.

- 1) A CV/resume with contact information and any supporting materials (website, reviews, catalogues)
- 2) Biography
- 3) Artist Statement

**For any other questions, please contact:**



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## Submission Form

Please complete the following submission form to confirm your entry into the **Creative Pathways Juried Art Exhibition** celebrating neurodiversity. Please fill out all the fields for artist information and artwork submission information. When entering medium on the entry form below, please be specific as possible. Please reach out if you have any questions.

Name:	Telephone:
Address:	
City /Province:	Postal Code:

Entry	Title	Year Completed	Medium	Dimensions in inches H x W x D	Retail Insurance value	# of Images
#1						
#2						
#3						
#4						
#5						

By participating in and submitting your artwork(s) to the Art Gallery, you agree to the legal release of photographs of artwork in the juried show. I hereby authorize the Tom Thomson Art Gallery, Reach Centre Grey Bruce, and Georgian Bay School of the Arts to publish photographs taken of artwork for the unrestricted use of images on a royalty-free basis for promotional purposes including the websites and printed marketing materials. I am aware that this form releases the Gallery, Reach Centre and GB Arts from any liabilities or claims. I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print name) understand and agree to the terms of this artwork photography permission and copyright release.

Artist Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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