

The Gallery

@the Sharon Historical Society

Prospectus

The Sharon Historical Society & Museum
“Distaff in Sharon: A Tribute to Melva Bucksbaum”
Invitational Exhibition and Sale

The Gallery @the SHS – September 10 through October 28, 2016

The Sharon Historical Society & Museum is pleased to announce publish criteria for its upcoming show of art works in The Gallery @the SHS, “Distaff in Sharon: A Tribute to Melva Bucksbaum”, an invitational exhibition and sale running from September 10 through October 28, 2016. The show will feature work by local women artists. Only artists who have been invited to participate by the Gallery Committee may submit art.

Critical Dates:

Deliver Art: Saturday, September 3, 2016, 10 AM to noon

Exhibition Dates: Saturday, September 10 through Friday, October 28, 2016

Opening Reception and Awards Presentation: Saturday September 10, 2016, 5 pm to 7 PM

Preliminary Statement:

Melva Bucksbaum was a well known, respected and inspirational philanthropist and art collector who spent part of the year at her home in Sharon. Ms. Bucksbaum passed away in August, 2015. The exhibition at The Gallery @the SHS takes its inspiration from the ground breaking 2013 show at the Granary in Sharon curated by Ms. Bucksbaum titled “The Distaff Side,” a diverse exhibition of paintings, sculpture, photography, and video by more than 100 female artists from the collections of Ms. Bucksbaum and her husband, Raymond Learsy.

- Each artist should provide approximately _____ works of art. While the Gallery @ the SHS will make every effort to display all work submitted, space limitations may require that we return some work to the artist before the exhibition opens to the public.
- Artwork in any medium (e.g. Oil, Acrylic, Watercolor, Photography, Pastel, Ink, Graphite, Drawing, Print, Mixed Media, Sculpture, Assemblage, Fabric, Stone, Clay,

Metal) and, subject to the Terms and Conditions, any subject matter, may be submitted.

- Artists are encouraged, but not required, to submit a jpg image of the artwork for which an entry form will be submitted. Images may be used in promotional materials for the show, as more fully described in the Entry Form and Terms and Conditions.
- **Artwork** and entry forms **must be brought** to The Sharon Historical Society & Museum (18 Main Street, Sharon, CT) **between 10:00 AM and noon on Saturday, September 3, 2016.**
- Entries must have been completed within the last two years, may not have been previously exhibited at The Gallery @the SHS and, unless an exception is made, all work must be for sale. All work must be original, no copies, reproductions or giclee prints. Artwork may not be removed prior to the show's closing.
- All art work must be fully set up for on-site exhibition.
- All two-dimensional work must be **securely wired (no saw-tooth or D rings), properly framed and ready to hang.** Artists are reminded that our gallery space is limited, so we may be unable to accept very large works.
- All sculpture must be completely assembled, no component over 25 pounds. Sculptors are encouraged to provide appropriate pedestals for display of their work.
- Artists must review the General Terms and Conditions for Exhibiting on the SHS website (link provided below). The Sharon Historical Society & Museum reserves the right to reject any submission that does not comply with these guidelines or the Terms and Conditions.
- The SHS will receive an amount equal to 30% of each sale, payable by the artist upon the artist's receipt of payment for sold work.
- Artists are reminded to bring the "Artist's Receipt" portion of their Entry Form(s) when picking up artwork. As a precaution, any Artist unable to pick up his or her artwork in person will be asked to submit a signed direction letter to the Sharon Historical Society & Museum authorizing release of artwork to another person and instructing SHS where to send any proceeds of sales of the Artist's work. Any person so authorized, and any Artist not in possession of his or her Artist's Receipt, may be asked to show a photo ID.

Entry Forms may be accessed [HERE](#) and detailed Terms and Conditions of Exhibiting at The Gallery @the SHS may be accessed [HERE](#). Entry Forms and Terms and Conditions may also be accessed directly from the Art Gallery page of the Sharon Historical Society & Museum's web site (go to www.sharonhist.org > Museum > Art Gallery > Exhibiting at the SHS].

The exhibit will open on Saturday September 10, 2016 with an Artists' Reception from 5 pm to 7 pm. The exhibit will remain open to the public during The Sharon Historical Society & Museum's regular hours and closes on Friday,

September 2, 2016 at 4 pm. **Artwork must be picked up between 10:00 am and noon at the Sharon Historical Society & Museum on Saturday, October 29, 2016.** The Sharon Historical Society & Museum will not be responsible for packing any exhibited artwork for return to the artist or for any exhibited artwork not picked up on October 29, 2016.

For additional information, contact gallery@sharonhist.org or Moira Conlan, Executive Director, the Sharon Historical Society & Museum, 860-364-5688.

The Sharon Historical Society & Museum is located at 18 Main Street, Route 41, Sharon, CT 06069, 860-364-5688. The SHS is open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 12-4, Saturday from 1-5. If you have obtained this Prospectus in paper form, visit our website at www.sharonhist.org.