

6x6 PROJECT

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the 6x6 PROJECT?

The 6x6 PROJECT is a fundraiser and art auction/exhibition to help raise awareness for the arts in McHenry County while supporting arts education programs at Raue Center For The Arts.

Who can participate?

Anyone can participate; we are looking for people of all abilities and skill levels.

Is there a cost to participate?

Yes. A \$5 non-refundable donation is required to cover the cost of each blank 6x6 inch canvas.

How can I get a canvas?

Artists can pick up and drop off at Raue Center For The Arts OR any of our partner locations. The Raue Box Office is open Tues – Fri from 2 to 4 pm. Please check each participating locations' hours of operations as they are all different.

- Out of the Box – 71 N. Williams Street | Crystal Lake, IL | (815) 444-7446
- Brush Studio – 121 W. Main Street | Cary, IL | (847) 516-3880
- Creative Arts Inc. – 400 Highland Avenue | Crystal Lake, IL | (815) 219-9243
- Material Things – 103 E. Van Buren | Woodstock, IL | (815) 575-9710
- Piano Trends – 35 Berkshire Dr | Crystal Lake, IL | (815) 477-4266
- Reprographics – 26 Crystal Lake Plaza | Crystal Lake, IL | (815) 477-1018
- Raue Center For The Arts – 26 N. Williams St | Crystal Lake, IL | (815) 356-9212

Can I create more than one (1) canvas?

Yes, Up to two (2) canvases can be submitted per artist.

Can someone pick up a canvas on my behalf?

Yes, if they have your completed and signed Participation Agreement form. For example, if five artists want to participate; one individual can pick up the five canvases with completed Participation forms from each artist.

Can I use my own canvas?

No. All canvases are pre-numbered. Canvases must be obtained from one of the locations listed or they will not be accepted. You can create and adhere your art to the front of the pre-numbered canvas, such as on a thin wood panel, canvas board, etc. Contact 6x6project@rauecenter.org if you have questions.

If I cannot complete my canvas can I give it to someone else?

No. Canvases CANNOT be transferred to another individual. If you are unable to complete your canvas, please contact us prior to the art submission deadline.

Is an Artist Statement required?

Yes. Each piece of art submitted must have an artist statement that can be completed online.

We will email a link directing them to the artist statement form.

The information required includes Name, Canvas Number, Title, Medium, and Artist Statement (200 words or less). We feel the artist statement enhances your piece and gives people more information about the work of art.

What kind of art is acceptable?

There are no restrictions on the type of art submitted. We hope to have a diverse selection of artwork in many different mediums and subject matter. There is no theme, however, it does need to meet certain guidelines:

- All art **must be original work** of the participating artist
- Art can be mounted to the front of the canvas, but no part can be outside of the perimeter.
- All mediums are allowed (i.e., painting, ink, photography, mixed media, pottery, etc.).
- Canvases will be hung by Velcro, so artwork should weigh no more than five pounds. Also,

canvases will be mounted in square format, not as a diamond (diagonally).

- If utilizing charcoal, pastels or other medium that may smear, artwork must be sealed prior to submission. If using oils, please make sure the canvas is completely dry before submitting.

Raue Center reserves the right to reject any artwork it deems inappropriate for display or does not follow the guidelines as stated.

What is the canvas made of?

Medium-weight, acrylic-primed, cotton canvas with a medium texture stretched on solid Poplar or Douglas Fir bars (1 $\frac{3}{4}$ " x $\frac{3}{4}$ "). Ready for presentation without a frame.

Will the artwork be displayed?

Yes. Each piece of art will be photographed and displayed on an online auction website. All canvases will be displayed together as one large mosaic at a public reception at Raue Center on Saturday, June 24, 2023. Prior to the public reception, we display the artwork on small panels in local stores and at Raue Center, and on our website and Facebook pages.

Will the artwork be sold?

Yes. The artwork will be available to the public through an online auction. Bids will start at a minimum of \$35 for each piece of art. All proceeds benefit Raue Center's educational programs: Mission Imagination and Raue School For The Arts. Check Raue Center website and 6x6 PROJECT Facebook pages for updates.

What if I have additional questions?

Contact us at 6x6project@rauecenter.org

Website: rauecenter.org

Facebook: facebook.com/6x6project

Instagram: instagram.com/the6x6project