Call for Entries: DEADLINE– Tuesday, July 25, 2023 please have entries submitted by 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday 7/26/2023

DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS

August 24 – November 5, 2023

Opening Reception | Thursday, August 24, 2023 | 5:30 – 8:00pm

The celebration of El Día de los Muertos is a joyful occasion of remembrance, involving feasts and festivities through which death is recognized as a part of the natural process of living. Contemporary celebrations of this holiday bear both ancient traditions and a modern flair and have become a rich part of Tucson’s cultural heritage. This exhibition celebrates the creative ways artists honor and enliven this deeply meaningful holiday through artistic expressions of personal and universal significance.

Artists from the region are invited to submit 2-dimensional or 3-dimensional works in any media for consideration in this juried exhibition. Día de los Muertos will be curated by Tohono Chul Exhibits Staff and Guest Curator, Sandy Villegas. Submitted artwork must creatively explore the essence and emotion of this traditional Mexican holiday. The imagery, symbols, and motifs are endless: memorials and remembrances, altars and shrines, paper banners (papel picado), flowers, candles, saints, graveside vigils, pageantry, sugar skulls, skeletons...

Submission Guidelines

Size/Media

Up to 3 completed works of any size, and in any 2 or 3-dimensional media may be submitted. If accepted, all work must be ready to display and/or framed for hanging. Any accepted work that is not in keeping with the original submission and/or is not properly prepared for exhibition (following guidelines for matting, framing, and hanging hardware) will not be exhibited. Please feel free to contact the EXHIBITS PROGRAM at Tohono Chul if you have any questions about submissions involving alternative media or the guidelines for the presentation of artwork – exhibits@tohonochul.org

Format

Artists may submit images of work digitally via email (exhibits@tohonochul.org). Artists may submit images of up to 3 artworks in JPEG format (at least 72 dpi, no more than 6 inches in any direction – If available: 300 dpi, no more than 6 inches in any direction). Each image file should be “renamed” with the artist’s last name, first name, title of work, medium, size of the work (in inches), and price. Entries must also contain a list of images that includes the title, date completed, media, dimensions, and price* of each work submitted.
Please write “Attn: Día de los Muertos” in the subject line of the email.

*All work exhibited at Tohono Chul may be offered for sale. Please indicate the retail price of each submission. Tohono Chul retains 50% of all sales to directly benefit Park programming so please factor this into your retail amount. Specify NFS (not for sale) for work that is not for sale.

**Artist Information**

Submitting artists must include a brief artist statement about the submitted work and an artist biography with complete contact information. These must be submitted in either a Word document or pasted within the body of the submission email.

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**Notification**

Artists whose work is chosen for inclusion in the exhibit will be notified by August 1, 2023

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**Submission checklist:**

- Digital Images (at least 72 dpi, no more than 6 inches in any direction). Each image must be renamed with the artist’s last name, first name, title of work, medium, size, and price.
- Image list with the title, date completed, media, dimensions, and price of each submitted work (submitted in either a Word document or pasted in the body of the submission email).
- Artist contact information, biography, and brief statement about the submitted work (submitted in either a Word document or pasted in the body of the submission email).

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(include “Attn: Día de los Muertos Submission” in the subject line)