



**Women's Art Association of Hamilton
6th Annual Open Non-Juried Exhibition**

DRAFT CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS and ENTRY FORM

“Close to the Heart”

The Women's Art Association of Hamilton (WAAH) would like to invite our members and all women artists from the greater Hamilton area to enter this exhibition to show the community what "Close to the Heart" means to you!

Exhibition Dates: Friday November 20th, 2026 to December 4th, 2026

Location: this exhibition will be part of the Hamilton Art Fair and final location is yet to be determined

Submission Deadline: Monday November 9th, 2026

Drop off completed works – November 16th, 2026

Conditions of Entry:

- Criteria for works:
 - All classes of **2D works** are accepted including paintings, mixed media, drawings, textiles, block prints, photography, etc.
 - **The maximum weight to be no more than 10lbs.**
 - **The maximum size is 24 inches x 36 inches**
 - Artworks **MUST** be properly wired and ready to hang. Works will be inspected and rejected if not found to meet the standard requirements listed on the WAAH website.
[WAAH_WiringInstructions.pdf](#)
 - All work **MUST** reflect your interpretation of the theme of the show - **"Close to the Heart" please include this interpretation in an artist**

statement (no more than 250 words sent as a word doc) and submitted with your work.

- Only original work (no copies of works by other visual artists or classroom works which have been demonstrated on by instructors) may be submitted.
- It is the artist's responsibility to ensure that accepted work is available during the exhibition dates. Work cannot be removed until the end of the exhibition. Any work not picked up on time will be subject to a \$10 late fee. Works NOT picked up after 30 days will become the property of WAAH.
- A 20% commission fee will be charged for works sold during the exhibition, which will go towards WAAH Exhibition expenses.
- The artist, by submission, grants WAAH the right to use the digital images submitted for publicity and website purposes. Full credit will be given to the artist in any such case.
- All work must be original, created within the last 2 years, not previously displayed at a WAAH exhibition and fit the theme of the show (“Close to the Heart”).

Entry Instructions:

- Please complete the entry form and identification labels. Copies of the identification labels must be affixed to the FRONT and BACK lower left corners of the work.
- Entry fee is \$20 for 1 piece, \$25 for 2 pieces or \$30 for 3 pieces. Diptychs are considered as 2 pieces.
- Deadline for receipt of your entry form, fees, and digital images will be Monday November 9, 2026. Please note - NO LATE ENTRIES will be accepted.

Digital Image Files:

- Please provide a clear digital image of each piece of art cropped so you only show the artwork - please do not show any background or the frame.
- Criteria for Digital files:
 - Digital files must be jpg, png or tiff format, full colour with resolution of at least 100 dpi but not larger than 2MB and of good quality. If you

require assistance to prepare your files, please contact Kamaldeep Kaur - exhibitionswaah@gmail.com

- Files must be named in the following manner - image number, your last name, and the title of the image (eg. 1-Logan-City-Hall.jpg).

Labelling your artwork:

- Works must be properly labelled on the front and back lower left, using only the fully completed label provided below. The labels and form will include your name, title, medium, size and price.

Right to refuse entry:

- WAAH retains the right to refuse to exhibit any work received if the conditions of entry are not met, or if the work differs greatly from the submission or the subject matter is deemed inappropriate or offensive.

Important Dates:

Deadline for entry	Monday, November 9, 2026
Drop off location yet to be determined	Monday, November 16th, 2026, between 10:30 - 12:00 pm
Opening Celebration	TBD
Pick up work between 10:30 am - 12:00 pm	TBD

SUBMISSION LABELS

(please attach copy to artwork – this is for identification in catalogue)

Front Lower Right Corner Label – 1st Piece Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____ Medium: _____ Size: _____ Title: _____ Price – or value if NFS: _____	Back Lower Left Corner Label – 1st Piece Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____ Medium: _____ Size: _____ Title: _____ Price – or value if NFS: _____
Front Lower Right Corner Label – 2nd Piece Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____ Medium: _____ Size: _____ Title: _____ Price – or value if NFS: _____	Back Lower Left Corner Label – 2nd Piece Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____ Medium: _____ Size: _____ Title: _____ Price – or value if NFS: _____
Front Lower Right Corner Label – 3rd Piece Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____ Medium: _____ Size: _____ Title: _____ Price – or value if NFS: _____	Back Lower Left Corner Label – 3rd Piece Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____ Medium: _____ Size: _____ Title: _____ Price – or value if NFS: _____

Entry Form:

- Please send your entry form to: **exhibitionswaah@gmail.com**

Entry Fees:

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- To pay by cheque: Send cheque & registration to: Karen Logan, WAAH Treasurer, c/o 301 CoWork, The Cotton Factory, 270 Sherman Avenue North. Hamilton, ON. L8L 6N4 OR if you are paying by E-transfer please send your fee to **treasurer@waah.ca**

Acknowledgement

I have read the Exhibition Rules, and I am submitting submit my works under the rules endorsed by WAAH. Artists **MUST** sign the WAAH Exhibition Rules in order to be entered in this exhibition.

For questions or to submit an entry electronically contact by email: **exhibitionswaah@gmail.com**

Signature of artist:	Date:
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