



City of Slidell

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Call to Artists: Reinterpreting the Masters

The City of Slidell is announcing a call for artists for *Reinterpreting the Masters*, a juried exhibition which will feature famous works of art by the Masters as reinterpreted by area artists.

“This exhibit will allow artists to apply their own unique styles to famous works of art, which I’m sure will make for some interesting reinterpretations,” explains Kim Bergeron, director of the city’s Department of Cultural & Public Affairs. “Imagine the *Mona Lisa* painted in the style of Van Gogh,” added Bergeron. “The possibilities are endless. I think this will be an exciting challenge for all artists.”

The City of Slidell’s Commission on the Arts will serve as the jurors for this exhibit. The commission is a community advisory board to the city’s Department of Cultural & Public Affairs. Established in 1979, the commission provides guidance and advice to the mayor, city council and other city agencies regarding grants, cultural projects and policies. Commissioners are appointed by the mayor with the primary function to develop, nurture and sustain the cultural life of the community.

Artists interested in participating can fill out the *Reinterpreting the Masters* prospectus, which is available on the city’s website (www.slidell.la.us). Artists may also pick up a prospectus at the Department of Cultural and Public Affairs’ office, located at 1330 Bayou Lane, Trailer 104, in the Slidell Municipal Trailer Complex.

There is a \$20 flat rate entry fee and each artist can enter up to three pieces. Artists should bring their completed prospectus and art work to the new Slidell Cultural Center on Monday, September 28, from 2 to 6 p.m. or Tuesday, September 29, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Slidell Cultural Center is located at 2055 Second Street, on the first floor of City Hall.

Reinterpreting the Masters will open on Friday, October 9, with an opening reception and awards presentation from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Slidell Cultural Center. The show will be on display during the

The City of Slidell presents



*Reinterpreting
the Masters*

OCTOBER 10 - DECEMBER 13, 2009

OPENING RECEPTION:
Friday, October 9, 7 to 9 p.m.

SLIDELL CULTURAL CENTER
2055 Second St., first floor of City Hall

GALLERY HOURS:
Monday - Friday:
10 a.m. to 12:30 & 1:30 to 4 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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city's *Arts Evening* festival and will remain on display through December 13. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 4 p.m., and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Reinterpreting the Masters is presented by the City of Slidell's Department of Cultural & Public Affairs, its Commission on the Arts and the 2009 – 2010 Cultural Season Sponsors. This event is supported in part by funds from the Louisiana Division of the Arts as administered by the St. Tammany Commission on Cultural Affairs.

For more information about *Reinterpreting the Masters*, please call the Department of Cultural & Public Affairs at (985) 646-4375 or visit www.slidell.la.us.

