

## AMERICAN SPIRIT 2009

Call for Artist Entries

Cincinnati Art Galleries, LLC is calling artists to submit work that celebrates the resilience of the “American Spirit”. We are asking for your visual expression in two and three dimensional translations of these unique and stimulating times. Where is the wellspring of your imagination? What is your visual motivation? What is your societal muse? Where is your joy? Interpret this theme freely. With this “call for entry” our goal is to support Cincinnati artists by showing work, awarding cash prizes and selling the juried selections. In turn, Cincinnati Art Galleries, LLC asks artists to partner with us by sharing their translations to stimulate and inspire our viewers.

**Exhibit Dates:** Saturday September 12 – September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009

**Deadline for entries:** August 1st, 2009. All entries must be in hard copy photo form (8 x 10 suggested). Please do not send original artwork as photo entries will NOT be returned. Artists names are not to be written or appear on front of photo. Name and title listed on back of each photo. Emailed entries will NOT be judged.

Mail to Cincinnati Art Galleries, LLC, 225 East 6<sup>th</sup> St, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202  
Please mark envelope “American Spirit”.

**Venue and Sponsor:** Cincinnati Art Galleries, LLC, Cincinnati OH

**Jurors:** Aaron Betsky, Director, Cincinnati Art Museum  
Raphaella Platow, Director and Chief Curator, Contemporary Art Center  
Dennis Harrington, Director, The Alice F. and Harris K. Weston Art Gallery

**Awards:** 100% of all entrance fees will be divided among winners at the jurors’ discretion. Top prize guarantee of at least \$2,500.

**Eligibility:** This juried exhibition is open to all artists (professional and emerging of 21 years or older) within a 120 mile radius of Cincinnati. Student work not eligible. This is a concept that has many possible readings, and we look forward to seeing many different interpretations. Work does not have to be produced especially for this competition, but must have been created after 2005. Each artist may submit up to three (3) works. Size limitations are such that nothing should reach over 5’ in any direction. Only artwork that can be moved through a standard size door will be accepted. Original chosen work should be hand delivered to Cincinnati Art Galleries on September 8<sup>th</sup>, between 9am and 4pm. Shipped artwork will NOT be accepted. Work must be installation-ready. Invitations to the exhibition will be sent to over 3,000 galleries, collectors and artists.

Finalists will be notified by email or phone by August 22<sup>nd</sup>. We would appreciate if artists do not call the gallery about entry status. Finalists will be featured in the *American Spirit* gallery exhibit & online exhibit. All works must be for sale, with a 40 % gallery commission collected on all sales. Only work actually exhibited in *American Spirit* show will be eligible for an award. Awards will be presented at the opening reception, or mailed thereafter if the artist is unable to attend the reception.

**Fees:** One \$25 non-refundable entrance fee per artist regardless of whether you submit one, two or three entries to be judged. Check or money order made payable to Cincinnati Art Galleries, LLC. Visa or mastercard also accepted. A 40% commission will be kept by Cincinnati Art Galleries, LLC for any item sold.

**Further Details:** see our website at <http://www.cincinnatiartgalleries.com>

### Calendar- Call for Artists “American Spirit 2009” Juried Exhibition

August 1	Entry Deadline
August 22	Notification by email or phone of chosen artworks
September 8	Chosen work to be hand delivered to Cincinnati Art Galleries
September 12 - 30	Exhibition and Sale
October 1 - 3	Unsold artworks to be picked up by artists

# CINCINNATI ART GALLERIES, LLC

## AMERICAN SPIRIT 2009- CALL FOR ARTISTS

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 - SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2009

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

One \$25 non-refundable entrance fee per artist regardless of whether you submit 1, 2, or 3 entries.

All work must be available for sale. Artists will state the retail sale price. Cincinnati Art Galleries, LLC retains a 40% commission on artwork sold. Gallery will insure artwork for net price (retail less 40%) while on premises.

	TITLE	MEDIUM	DIMENSIONS (HEIGHT X WIDTH)	YEAR	SIGNED	RETAIL PRICE
1						
2						
3						

\*Please note that artwork chosen for this exhibition must be hand delivered to the gallery on September 8th.

\*Shipped artwork will not be accepted.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### CHECKLIST FOR APPLICATIONS - RECEIVED BY AUGUST 1ST, 2009

- \_\_\_\_\_ Completed Entry Form
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hard copy photo for each entry (8 x 10 inches suggested)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hard copy photos labeled on back with title, medium, dimensions & indication of top of image
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bio / Resume / Artist Statement
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00 check or money order made payable to Cincinnati Art Galleries, LLC
- \_\_\_\_\_ Visa or Mastercard \_\_\_\_\_ Exp \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. Code \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mail entry material to:

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#### "American Spirit" - Submission

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