

Wild & Scenic Film Festival Announces Call for Art

The Wild & Scenic Film Festival, in collaboration with Nevada County Arts, invites submissions of environmentally themed artwork for the 18th annual Wild & Scenic Film Festival in Nevada City and Grass Valley, CA happening January 16-20, 2020

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NEVADA CITY, Calif. October 7, 2019 – The Wild & Scenic Film Festival (WSFF) is now formally welcoming submissions to its annual art exhibition as part of its five-day event to inspire environmental activism through film. Artwork themes should reflect a passion for connecting society with the natural world and alleviating man’s strain on our environment. The Wild and Scenic Film Festival attracts more than 8,000 attendees each year to the Sierra Nevada foothill cities of Nevada City and Grass Valley, CA, where artists works will be displayed in galleries and participating state-designated Cultural District businesses.

Artists can submit up to three works (total) in the following categories:

2-D: Paintings, prints, collages, mixed media, and panels with 1.5 inches or less of depth variation

3-D: Sculpture and pieces with depth variations greater than 1.5 inches

Photography: All photography, including digital and film, color, black and white

Judges will look for work that stands out within the greater themes of the festival, which is the primary fundraising driver of the South Yuba River Citizens League (SYRCL), a Nevada City-based non-profit organized to unite the community to protect and restore the Yuba River watershed.

The 2020 WSFF Judges are:

William L. Fox, Director of the Center for Art + Environment at the Nevada Museum of Art in Reno, is a writer and independent scholar whose work focuses on how human cognition transforms land into landscape. In the visual arts, Fox has exhibited text works in more than two dozen group and solo exhibitions in seven countries.

Michael Llewellyn is an award-winning editorial and advertising photographer specializing in environmental portraiture and photo-illustration. Based in Grass Valley, Llewellyn’s current

project, FOREST ⇌ FIRE, is an interdisciplinary, multi-sensory, interpretive installation scheduled to debut in October 2020 in Truckee, California. Llewellyn is an Artist-in-Residence with the Nevada County Arts Council.

Nashormeh N.R. Lindo, Chair of the California Arts Council, is an artist, arts educator, consultant, and curator. Her work as a renowned photographer, printmaker, and painter has been exhibited both nationally and internationally. Lindo's recent work explores the way one medium informs another, utilizing her photographs for surface design on textiles.

Critical dates and submission fees pertaining to the call for art:

October 31: Regular Registration Deadline, \$30

November 15: Extended Deadline, \$45

December 15: Notice of acceptance

January 16: Artists Opening Reception & Award Ceremony

January 16-20: Wild & Scenic Film Festival

ABOUT WILD & SCENIC FILM FESTIVAL

Considered one of the nation's premier environmental and adventure film festivals, the Wild & Scenic Film Festival is produced by South Yuba River Citizens League (SYRCL). The festival combines stellar filmmaking, beautiful cinematography, and first-rate storytelling to inform, inspire and ignite solutions and possibilities to restore the earth and human communities while creating a positive future for generations to come. After the January festival, Wild & Scenic goes on tour throughout the country to more than 250 events hosted by other organizations that use the festival as a platform to inspire activism in their own communities. Visit wildandscenicfilmfestival.org for more information.

ABOUT NEVADA COUNTY ARTS

Nevada County Arts Council is the hub for information on the arts in Nevada County, and the go-to place for ways to get involved. Nevada County Arts Council, by resolution of Nevada County Board of supervisors, is State-Local Partner with California Arts Council. A 501c3 not-for-profit organization, we facilitate collaborative efforts that promote and sustain the visual, literary and performing arts of Nevada County to advance the cultural, social and economic life of our community. Learn more at nevadacountyarts.org.

ABOUT SYRCL

SYRCL is a grassroots non-profit organization based in Nevada City, CA. It's mission, "Unite the community to protect and restore the Yuba River watershed," strives for a future in which the Yuba River watershed thrives and is resilient in the face of climate change. The organization was founded in 1983 and executes river science programs covering restoration, forest health, meadow restoration, monitoring, cannabis cultivation, and salmon health and native habitat revitalization, among other relevant efforts surrounding the long-term well-being of its namesake river. For more information, visit www.yubariver.org.