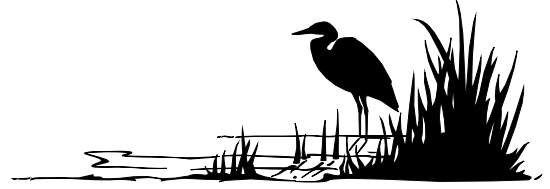


# FRIENDS OF MISSISQUOI

## NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

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### Art on the Refuge 2021 Exhibit for World Migratory Bird Day

#### Information and Participation Forms

**Art Show Opening Date:** May 15, 2021

**Exhibit:** May 15 through July 16, 2021

**Location:** Online this year, to be viewed by the public at [www.friendsofmissisquoi.org/artshow](http://www.friendsofmissisquoi.org/artshow)

The Missisquoi National Wildlife Refuge, along with many conservation organizations, will celebrate World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD). The Refuge will celebrate through the weekend of Saturday/Sunday, May 15/16, 2021. The 2021 theme is "Sing, Fly, Soar – Like a Bird."

The Friends of Missisquoi will again be hosting the annual art show (after sadly canceling it last year due to COVID). We are excited that the art show is back this year, but we have modified it to allow for flexibility to keep everyone safe. This year we are setting up the show as an online gallery. As usual, our focus will be birds and their habitats and will include birds that spend some time on the Refuge, including birds that breed, migrate through, or irrupt into the area.

Because space will not be limited for an online show, the size of entries is not as restrictive. Also, if the artists want to enter a 3 dimensional work online, that will be accepted as well, since all work will be shown through photographs.

**Medium:** Suggestions, though not limited to this list: acrylics, pen and ink, pastels, wood, oil, watercolor, wool, photographs, natural plant materials, fabric.

**Paintings/drawings, etc.:** Subjects may be birds\* or anything related to what might be found in a landscape that helps birds in their lives at the Refuge (migration, breeding, feeding, etc.); for example, lake, river, marsh, forest, wildlife, insects, wildflowers/plants, fields, etc. and interpretations of any of these.

**Photographs:** Preference for photos taken on the Refuge, but may be from other sites that are local breeding, wintering, or stop over areas for birds\* found on the Refuge.

\*(See list of Refuge birds on the [friendsofmissisquoi.org](http://friendsofmissisquoi.org) website under <http://friendsofmissisquoi.org/birding/>)

**Entry fee:** \$15 per piece; one may enter 2 works if desired. The entry fee will provide the artist with a year's membership in the Friends of Missisquoi. A second fee can be earmarked for a membership for an additional person chosen by the artist.

For sales through the online show, the artists will be directly contacted for payment and pickup. As in other years, we request that an artist replace the sold item with another work at no charge. Note: Upon sale of an item, a donation to the Friends group to help support the Refuge is welcomed, but not necessary.

Once registered for the show, you will forward the necessary documentation (see below) to [artshow@friendsofmissisquoi.org](mailto:artshow@friendsofmissisquoi.org) before May 13, 2021.

Documentation to be emailed includes:

1. Photograph(s) of artwork
2. Information that will be used to inform the viewers about your artwork and your contact information. (See attached to participation form.)
3. A brief "Meet the Artist" narrative tailored in whatever way you would like to introduce yourself. It can include a description of your art, your interests or art specialties, your background, or other information you would like to present to viewers of the show. It can even link to your own website or blog if you'd like. This "Meet the Artist" section attached to your work will substitute for the artist reception.

When a viewer clicks on the photo of your artwork, all of this information will be seen.

We sincerely thank you for your participation. If you have any questions, please contact Carol Yarnell at [artshow@friendsofmissisquoi.org](mailto:artshow@friendsofmissisquoi.org).

Missisquoi National Wildlife Refuge

Art on the Refuge Participation Form for Online Show

Artists: please read the following carefully. Please fill in all the blank spaces (as applicable) on this form, sign, and date and mail with payment to the Missisquoi Refuge at 29 TABOR ROAD, SWANTON, VERMONT 05488.

If you have any questions, please contact: Carol Yarnell: artshow@friends of missisquoi.org

For more copies of this application: [www.friendsofmissisquoi.org/art show](http://www.friendsofmissisquoi.org/art show)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Artwork Title and Size	Bird Species (or focus)	Medium	Price
1. _____			
2. _____			

Entry Fee: \$15 per art piece. No sales commission fees. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "FRIENDS OF MISSISQUOI".

The entry fee will provide the artist with a free one-year membership in Friends of the Refuge. For current Friends members and for second entries, we encourage you to donate a one-year membership to a family member or friend. Just provide us with the name and address/email (to allow us to send them the newsletter). Second membership is for:

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\*\*\*\*\*Sales and pick up of artwork will be completed through the artist.\*\*\*\*\*

Application and accompanying fee must be sent to the Refuge address (29 Tabor Road, Swanton, VT 05488) BEFORE work is added to the show.

After entry form and payment is sent, please submit the following to the show at: [artshow@friendsofmissisquoi.org](mailto:artshow@friendsofmissisquoi.org)

1. Photo (s) of the artwork
2. Completed documentation that introduces your art

**Artist:**

**Title:**

**Medium:**

**Price:**

**Dimensions:**

**Contact Information:**

3. Your "Meet the Artist" narrative. (This is in place of the Artist Reception.)

By signing this form:

I agree to hold harmless the Friends of Missisquoi Inc. and the Missisquoi National Wildlife Refuge for artwork being displayed online, as well as your contact information, in a publicly viewed show. You may add your watermark if you have one.

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

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_