

# New England Society of Botanical Artists

## Call for Entries

### **2019 Newport Flower Show, Rosecliff Mansion, Newport, RI Friday, June 21 – Sunday, June 23, 2019**

A NESBA members' exhibit at the 2019 Newport Flower Show open to any NESBA member in good standing (dues paid). This is not a juried show, per se, but there is a selection process due to space limitations and to ensure quality.

Exhibit Theme: The 2019 Newport Flower Show theme is "Audubon Artistic Adventures".

NESBA Exhibit Requirements: Artists may enter **more than one work**. The artist must specify the category for which each work is entered. No more than 6 works will be selected for each category, for a maximum of 24 works in the exhibit. Works may have been previously displayed but not at a Newport Flower Show. Any 2-dimensional, original media, but no photography or computer generated work. No entry or installation fee.

Submission Categories: Each piece must be submitted in one of these 4 categories:

- Tropical botanical subjects, may include habitat in the composition
- Landscapes, field studies and preliminary sketches
- Natural objects (animals, shells, insects, etc.) with at least one botanical element included
- Plants which were included, or could have been included, in an JJ Audubon composition (Please include brief explanation why the plant you chose meets this qualification.)

***NESBA seeks 2 sets of preliminary studies to be displayed with the resulting finished piece on a panel separate from panels for the 4 categories. The idea is to show the artistic journey from initial concept to finished piece. Preliminary studies must be suitably framed but do not need to be matted. If interested, please contact Joan Pierce.***

Deadlines:

**March 30** – digital images, with required accompanying information must be submitted to: **JoanPierce75@gmail.com**

**End of April** – artists will be notified of selection of artwork.

**First week of June** – artwork must be received by the Preservation Society of Newport County. Selected work may be sent directly to ATTEN: Beverly Ware, Preservation Society of Newport County, 424 Bellevue Ave. Newport, RI 02840. NESBA may use "Drop off Persons", and the collected work will be delivered to the Preservation Society. Details of "Drop Off Persons" to follow.

Digital Image Submission Requirements:

- ✓ may be taken with phone or camera or scanned; poor quality images may result in work being rejected.
- ✓ must have artist's name and Title of work in the file name; ex. JaneDoe\_Tulipa.jpeg
- ✓ media, exterior frame dimensions H x W (estimated if not yet framed), name of subject (latin and common name preferred), town/state of artist's residence must be included in e-mail submission of work
- ✓ Artist Statement/Bio as a WORD.doc or PDF, not to exceed 1 page, submitted with digital image(s)

Exhibitor Guidelines and Liability Statement: All work will be handled with care. *Neither NESBA nor the Preservation Society accept liability for loss or damage to artwork. Artists are solely responsible for insuring their artwork.* Please include contact information in your Artist Statement/Bio if you wish a potential buyer to contact you. There is no opportunity for selling work through the Newport Flower Show.

Framing Guidelines: ***Exhibit panels are 36" wide. Exterior frame measurement of the longest dimension (H or W, not total perimeter) may not exceed 30". Works with exterior frame dimensions (H or W) of 24" or less, particularly W, are preferred because of space limitations.*** White or off-white mats. Simple wood frames with natural light, medium or dark finish. Gold finish acceptable. No painted frames. No metal frames. No sawtooth hangers. Artwork in frames of insufficient quality will not be hung. Plexiglass required.

*Dated: Nov. 14, 2018*

Date of Call for Entries: Jan. 2, 2017