

Artist's with Disabilities to Exhibit at The Whole Person's Expressions Art Exhibition

KANSAS CITY, MO (March 7, 2017) - The Whole Person, a nonprofit center for independent living, invites art enthusiasts to the opening night and reception of the 7th Annual Expressions Art Exhibition. Artists with disabilities will exhibit their artwork, while making connections with the Kansas City art community.

The Expressions Art Exhibition provides opportunities for artists with disabilities to overcome barriers that may keep them from showing their art in a professional setting, allowing them to share their perspectives and experiences with the community. The exhibit celebrates artists' abilities and unique talents, adds diversity to the Kansas City arts community and exposes audiences to art that otherwise might not be seen.

Artists chosen to take part in the exhibit will also be provided with development training to give them training and experience marketing and selling their brand and artwork.

The opening exhibition will take place Friday, April 7, 2017 at Kansas City Young Audiences, 3732 Main St., Kansas City, MO 64111. Attendees can view selected artwork and chat with artists from 6:00 – 10:00PM. Guests will also enjoy live music and dance performances, a wine ring toss, silent auction, a tile art project and refreshments.

Following the exhibit opening, artwork from the Expressions Art Exhibition will be displayed in multiple locations around the Kansas City metropolitan area on both sides of the state line, beginning with a branch of the Johnson County Library.

Accessibility options provided for the series include braille and large-print event programs, volunteer guides for descriptive audio tours, sign language interpreters and an accessible entrance. Accessible parking and ramps to enter Arts Asylum are located on the north side of the building. Addition parking is available across the street at the Masonic Temple.

The Expressions Art Exhibition has been made possible by the generosity of Arts KC, the Francis Family Foundation, The Patricia Sweeny Memorial Fund, Artist Inc., Neighborhood Tourist Development Fund (NTDF) program and the Missouri Arts Council.

For interviews, accommodation requests or more details on the 2017 Expressions Art Exhibition visit TheWholePerson.org/Expressions or contact Terri Goddard at 816-627-2220 or by email at TGoddard@thewholeperson.org.



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About The Whole Person: The Whole Person is a Center for Independent Living founded in 1978 as a private, non-residential, non-profit organization providing a full range of community-based services for people with disabilities. For more than 39 years, TWP has been a leader in representing people with both mental and physical disabilities and providing independent living services to residents of Kansas and Missouri. TWP assists people with disabilities to live independently and encourages change within the community to expand opportunities for independent living.