

# Call for Artists: Detroit River Coalition Hosts Community Exhibition Celebrating Earth Day at the Belle Isle Aquarium

Who we are:

The Detroit River Coalition is a binational environmental resource hub promoting community and cross-sector collaboration in the US and Canada and the only binational coalition that coordinates interested groups and people for the purpose of litter removal and protection of the Detroit River and its local tributaries.

Call:

The Detroit River Coalition invites artists in the US and Canada to participate in an Earth Day Exhibition at the Belle Isle Aquarium, scheduled for April 2022. Each artist selected will be highlighted on Detroit River Coalition website and social media accounts and will receive invitation(s) to attend the Earth Day opening reception on Thursday, April 21, 2022, at the Belle Isle Aquarium. Art will be on exhibition April 21 – 24, 2022.

Theme:

Climate Change, Climate Justice, Earth Day, Environmental Conservation, Stewardship, Intersectional Environmentalism, Marine Debris, Single Use Plastic, Ocean Conservation, Great Lakes, Detroit River.

Goal:

Leverage art to evoke conversation and create connection between our daily lives, our communities, the environment, and climate justice. Each artist selected will have an opportunity to exhibit their work in an exhibition that will launch binational Earth Day events in the region. All ages and mediums, including performing arts, are invited to submit.

Timeline:

- Submissions due March 4, 2022
- Selection announced March 18, 2022
- Artist responsible for delivery of artwork April 11-13, 2022
- Opening reception, Thursday, April 21, 2022
- Exhibition closes Sunday, April 24, 2022
- Artist responsible for pickup of artwork April 27-28, 2022

How to submit your work:

Please submit a digital version of your work (2-D, 3-D or written or performing art) and your artist's statement (one page maximum) via this form. The deadline to submit is 11:59pm on

Friday, March 4, 2022

Selection process:

The selection committee will be made of (11) Detroit River Coalition members representing both the US and Canada. The number of pieces selected will be determined by the physical space available for exhibition. Bios for selection committee can be found here

<https://www.detroitrivercoalition.com/membership>

Inquiries:

Please email Genevieve Rattray Nowak at [nowakg@belleisleconservancy.org](mailto:nowakg@belleisleconservancy.org) with any questions.

Please have the subject line of your email read: Call for Artists

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### **Submission form**

First and Last name:

e-mail:

phone:

year of birth:

Media Category:

Please provide a brief description of your art

Please describe how your artwork fits into one or more of the themes of the exhibition? \*

Themes are: Climate Change, Climate Justice, Earth Day, Environmental Conservation, Stewardship, Intersectional Environmentalism, Marine Debris, Single Use Plastic, Ocean Conservation, Great Lakes, Detroit River.

What is the approximate dimension of your artwork? \*

If question is irrelevant, please put in n/a

Please provide an artist statement (max 1 page)

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I agree to the below terms and conditions (please check off):

I am the sole copyright holder of my artwork(s) to be exhibited at the Belle Isle Aquarium

Exhibition of work(s) may result in exhibition catalogs, media reviews, and /or announcements in print and/or digital form. I give my permission for my work to be featured in such forms.

I understand that if my work is not picked up one month after the exhibition end date that the Detroit River Coalition will deem how to dispose of the work.

The Detroit River Coalition is not responsible for any damage or loss that may occur to artwork while being displayed in the Belle Isle Aquarium Space. Artists use this space to display their work at their own risk.

Each piece dropped off at the Belle Isle Aquarium must be labelled on the back with the artist's name and the piece's title.

The Detroit River Coalition reserves the right to not display your artwork as part of the exhibition

If under the age of 18, my guardian will provide consent prior to March 18 to the Detroit River Coalition for my participation

**Please attach this completed form and your artwork to an email and send to [detroitrivercoalition@gmail.com](mailto:detroitrivercoalition@gmail.com) by 11:59 pm on March 4.**

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