

Open Call: Art Exhibition for Human Trafficking Awareness

Submission Deadline

Friday, 3rd April 2020

Be sure to read through all the guidelines before submitting your work

Artists will be notified upon review of their submission by 30 April 2020. If you have any questions, contact A-Team Wits at ateamwitsie@gmail.com



About A21

A21 is a global non-profit organization that works to abolish modern-day slavery which includes human trafficking, sexual exploitation, forced labour, bonded labour, sex trafficking, involuntary domestic servitude and child soldiery. A21 focuses on combatting modern-day slavery around the world through educational awareness programmes and prevention, the protection of victims, the prosecution of traffickers, and various partnerships with law enforcement agencies. A21 has over eight head offices globally, including Cape Town, South Africa. A-Team Wits is a team of local abolitionists raising awareness on human trafficking at Wits University and its surrounding areas. For more information on A21 and all their A-Teams around the world, visit www.a21.org

About the Art Exhibition

The purpose of the Art Exhibition is to raise awareness on human trafficking, raise funds towards the critical work of A21 and to shed light on modern-day slavery. An array of artwork will be on exhibit at a gallery space to the public at large. Our mission is to create a space of dialogue and awareness on human trafficking around thought-provoking artwork.

Established and emerging artists wishing to create artwork to bring light to human trafficking are invited to submit their own solo or collaborative work for the exhibition. Please note that this is on a voluntary basis and no provision can be made by us towards required materials.

Eligibility

- All established or emerging artists, painters, photographers, sculptors, fine artists are eligible to submit.
- Art students of all universities are eligible to submit.

Guidelines

While we accept all submissions, we will be selecting artwork that fits our mission. Although your submission does not need to satisfy all of the following, we are committed to:

- Presenting work that centers around the theme of human trafficking and the topics of modern-day slavery, bondage, exploitation, the invisible nature of human trafficking and the global impact of this crime. While only 1% of victims in the world are rescued out of trafficking, A21 believes in freedom and hope. Thus, the themes of freedom, hope and restoration are welcome.
- Exhibiting artwork that is strong, compelling and demonstrates a feasibility to realize our mission.
- Submissions that push artistic practice in new and interesting directions; and
- Styles and approaches that are not well represented in commercial spaces or otherwise difficult to exhibit elsewhere.

Conditions of submission

- A maximum of three works per person.
- There is no restriction on the type or medium.
- The maximum dimensions of each work may not exceed 160 x 160cm.
- All works must be labelled with the artist's name, the title of the piece, the dimensions of the work, medium and the asking price.
- Submissions must include a brief artist's statement and an abbreviated CV.
- No submissions may be removed before the conclusion of the art exhibition weekend.
- All submissions must be suitably framed or mounted for the exhibition.
- 30% of the commission on artwork sold at the exhibition or as a result of being seen at the exhibition will be deducted from the indicated sales price as a donation towards A21's anti-trafficking programmes.

Liability

- All artists bear responsibility for the safety of the exhibits and any other property whilst in transit to and from the art gallery. It is assumed at all times that the artist has arranged insurance for the artworks in the event of any personal loss or damage.
- Any uncollected works 7 days after the exhibition will be regarded as a donation towards the cause, unless prior arrangements are made.

Once you have reviewed the guidelines, you are ready to submit to ateamwitsie@gmail.com to receive further details of the delivery/drop-off venue.

“When a lot of people do a little, it adds up and makes a difference.”

- Christine Caine, A21 Founder

