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**CULTURAL COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY'S  
JURIED "BIENNIAL 2019" EXHIBITION TO FEATURE 33 LOCAL ARTISTS**  
*The summer exhibition will give patrons a chance to vote for their favorite*

**LAKE WORTH BEACH, Fla. (May 9, 2019)** – The Cultural Council will open its latest exhibition, "**Biennial 2019**" on **Friday, May 31** at its historic headquarters in downtown Lake Worth Beach. The exhibition, which has occurred every other summer, will feature a diverse set of works by 33 professional Palm Beach County artists.

This year's exhibition was juried by Melanie Johanson, curator of contemporary art at the Old School Square Cornell Art Museum in Delray Beach. Cash prizes will be awarded for Best in Show, Second Place and Third Place at the member preview reception on May 30. Additionally, one artist will win the People's Choice award—an opportunity for the public to vote for their favorite piece once a day from **Friday, May 31 to Saturday, July 27** at the Council's headquarters (601 Lake Ave., Lake Worth Beach). The winner will be announced the following week.

"We are ready to celebrate the start of summer with this engaging exhibition. We'll ask the community to participate by voting for their favorites," said Dave Lawrence, president & CEO. "The artists and artworks selected for this exhibition showcase the incredible talent we have here in Palm Beach County. Congratulations to the artists!"

"Biennial 2019" will feature the following Palm Beach County artists:

Tony Arruza	Irene Katz
Molly Aubry	Laurence Laiken
Bruce Bain	Eileen Lyons
Suzanne Barton	Patricia Maguire
Robert Birkenes	Michelle Marra
Michael Blair	Jane McIntyre
Suzanne Blaustein	Rick Newton
Anthony Burks Sr.	Michael Raiman
Lara Chapman	Terre Rybovich
Fredi Cohen	Karen H. Salup
Robert Cordisco	Kathleen R. O'Neill Schuler
Yury Darashkevich	Rochel Schiffrin
Adriano Ficarelli	Mark Stafford
Ann Friedlander	Cristina Szyszko
Yvonne Fok-Gundersen	Karla Walter
Isabel Gouveia	Marilyn Walter
Amanda Johnson	

Proceeds from artwork sales directly benefit local artists and support the Council's mission to grow arts and culture in Palm Beach County.

## Exhibition Details

The Council will host a **member preview** on **Thursday, May 30** from 5:30-7:30 p.m. (free for Council members; \$20 for nonmembers). The event will feature live music by classical guitarist Arturo Romy, refreshments and more. Classical music performance is underwritten by the Eric Friedheim Foundation, Inc.

**To RSVP**, please email Debbie Calabria, membership and special events manager, at [dcalabria@palmbeachculture.com](mailto:dcalabria@palmbeachculture.com), online at [www.palmbeachculture.com/biennial2019](http://www.palmbeachculture.com/biennial2019) or call (561) 472-3341.

**Member preview sponsors** include Eric Friedheim Foundation, Inc.; Christafaro's; The Paradise Express; and Tito's Handmade Vodka.

## If you go

**Who:** Cultural Council of Palm Beach County

**What:** "Biennial 2019"

**When:** Friday, May 31 through Saturday, Aug. 10

**Where:** Cultural Council of Palm Beach County (601 Lake Ave., Lake Worth Beach, FL 33460)

**Cost:** Free

For more information, visit [www.palmbeachculture.com/biennial2019](http://www.palmbeachculture.com/biennial2019).

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## ABOUT THE CULTURAL COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

The Cultural Council of Palm Beach County is the official support agency for arts and culture in The Palm Beaches, Florida's Cultural Capital®. The Council provides grants to cultural organizations and professional artists, advocates for arts and cultural funding, enhances local arts education, offers support services to foster growth of the cultural sector and promotes cultural tourism.

The Cultural Council also serves as a venue for exhibitions and performances featuring artists who live or work in Palm Beach County, and provides additional programming at its headquarters in the historic Robert M. Montgomery, Jr. Building in Downtown Lake Worth Beach. Also on the property are the Roe Green Uniquely Palm Beach Store featuring hand-crafted items by local artists; the Jean S. and Frederic A. Sharf Visitor Information Center, a VISIT FLORIDA-designated Florida Certified Tourism Information Center; and the Project Space, an open-air area for live music and large-scale sculpture.

The Cultural Council's three galleries, store and visitor's center is open to the public from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, including a complete calendar of cultural activities in The Palm Beaches, visit [palmbeachculture.com](http://palmbeachculture.com).

To learn about the benefits of individual, business, artist or musician membership to the Council, please contact [dcalabria@palmbeachculture.com](mailto:dcalabria@palmbeachculture.com).