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Alameda County Arts Commission to Purchase Artwork made by Alameda County Artists.

(Oakland, California) – The Alameda County Arts Commission is offering a new opportunity for Alameda County artists to have their artwork considered for the County's Art Collection. Through the Artwork Purchase Program existing artwork will be acquired and installed at County buildings for the benefit and enjoyment of the general public. Professional artists who make two-dimensional or low-relief, wall-mounted artwork are invited to apply. More than \$100,000 is available to purchase artwork. Through the Artwork Purchase Program, the County collects high-quality artwork and promotes the wide range of artistic talent and expression in Alameda County. The Collection showcases a variety of artistic styles, media, and concepts. Artwork submitted for consideration must have a broad appeal and be appropriate for a variety of public spaces with visitors of all ages and backgrounds. Selection committees appointed by the Arts Commission and comprised of community representatives, arts professionals, and County staff will select the artwork. The final selections must be approved by the members of the Arts Commission. Application must be submitted online through the CaFÉ™ website, www.callforentry.org (search for "Alameda County"). The deadline to apply is May 15, 2015. This opportunity is open to practicing, professional visual artists who live, work, or rent/own an artist's studio in Alameda County. Qualified professional artists, including women and African American, Latino/Chicano, Native American, and Asian/Pacific Islander artists and artists with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Further details and eligibility requirements can be found at http://tinyurl.com/acac2015pp or by contacting the Arts Commission Office at (510) 208-9646.