

**ARTS & CULTURAL COUNCIL OF BUCKS COUNTY**  
**“APRIL: 30 DAYS OF INSPIRATION” FOR POETS AND ARTISTS**  
**SUBMISSION GUIDELINES**

The Arts & Cultural Council of Bucks County invites poets and artists to share original work with the community through a daily poem matched with an artwork for each day in April, in celebration of National Poetry Month, and hosted by the Arts & Cultural Council of Bucks County.

“April: 30 Days of Inspiration” seeks poems and artwork for a social media campaign that explores *what inspires, strengthens, connects, calms, or revives*—from the smallest, most ordinary moments to dramatic occasions and vistas, whether narrative, lyrical, abstract, or concrete.

A new poem paired with a new artwork will be featured daily during the month of April on our social media platforms, curated by the Arts & Cultural Council of Bucks County “30 Days” project committee.

Artists and poets do not have to be residents of Bucks County or members of the Arts & Cultural Council of Bucks County to participate. Submissions from new, emerging, and established artist/poets are welcomed. We especially encourage submissions from historically underrepresented voices in arts communities, and we celebrate the full expression of all identities.

The Arts & Cultural Council has at its heart the promotion and engagement of regional visual, performing, and literary artists, as well as the enrichment and preservation of the arts and cultural communities in Bucks County and beyond.

It is the intention of the Arts & Cultural Council to use the social media campaign “April: 30 Days of Inspiration” as a means of celebration and community-building during what continues to be a challenging time. We aim to reach out to old and new friends and hope the exhibition provides meaningful ways to make connections, to be productive, to help others, and to move forward in our shared commitment to keeping the arts at the heart of all we do.

**DEADLINE**

Poetry and artwork submissions that explore *what inspires, strengthens, connects, calms, or revives* will be accepted from **February 1- 15, 2022**.

**SUBMISSION FEE**

There is no submission fee for this project; donations to the ACCBC are welcome.

**POETRY GUIDELINES**

- Send up to two poems in a single word document (.doc or .docx). Include your name and email in the document header.
- Use Times New Roman 12 pt. font.
- Each poem should be no more than 30 lines.
- Simultaneous submissions are accepted, but please let us know immediately if your work has been accepted elsewhere by sending us a note with your name and title of the work to [info@bucksarts.org](mailto:info@bucksarts.org).
- We accept previously published work; include citation/credit in entry.
- ACCBC has permission to use submitted works for digital and print promotional purposes, including the right to archive.

- Please adhere to all guidelines. Submissions not adhering to our guidelines will not be considered for this project.

### ARTWORK GUIDELINES

- Send up to two images of 2D or 3D work (.jpg)
- Web-ready images: 72 dpi, 900-1200 pixels on the longest side
- Quality: Cropped, not crooked; focused, not blurry; if 2D, unframed.
- Labeled: Label images with your name, the title of the work, the medium, and the size: (i.e., Jane Smith-River View-Oil on Linen-16x20.jpg)
- Artists may only submit images once, so make sure they are the best they can be.
- ACCBC has permission to use submitted works for digital and print promotional purposes, including the right to archive.
- Collectors interested in making purchases will be able to reach out to individual artists through websites and via email on Facebook and Instagram. The Arts & Cultural Council will not post prices as part of this Art and Poetry initiative and will not accept any commissions on sales of work, though donations after sales are appreciated.
- Please adhere to all guidelines. The ACCBC reserves the right to refuse submissions that do not adhere to the guidelines.

### WE WILL CONTACT YOU...

...when “**30 Days of Inspiration**” is curated, and we have scheduled the poetry and art pairings.

### EXHIBITION COMMITTEE

**Poetry:** Hayden Saunier, Lynn Levin, Margaret Montet

**Visual Arts:** Ruth Anderson, Jane Ramsey

**Questions?** [info@bucksarts.org](mailto:info@bucksarts.org)

### THANK YOU

**for your patience – we are all volunteers!**