

Welcome to ArtSpace at First Presbyterian Church of Highlands, NC

ArtSpace is an area located on the lower level of Coleman Hall dedicated to exhibiting art work from members of the church and the greater community on a rotating basis.

The mission of ArtSpace at First Presbyterian is to create space for the visual arts to celebrate the Holy Spirit's gifts of creativity and imagination. We seek to deepen connections with each other and the Divine, to inspire creativity, and to grow in faith as art offers us new perspectives and speaks to our souls in a language beyond words.

There are four to six exhibits per year, each with its own theme, which is based on the Liturgical Calendar, seasons and such. Each show is juried by the Exhibition Committee. While quality is one factor, so are other things, such as the heart and spirit of the work and adherence to the theme. In other words, this space is not limited to professional artists or even adults, but to anyone who feels called to participate. However, the June and September 2024 exhibits are limited to members and friends of First Presbyterian. For now, submissions are limited to one piece per artist, unless it is a diptych or triptych.

The Church will sponsor a reception for each show, dates to be determined later.

General Guidelines:

- Pieces must be your own original art or reproduction.
- Only art that can be hung on a wall is allowable: Paintings, drawings, photography, fabric art, etc.
- Art work should relate to the theme of the exhibit.
- Art must be ready to hang and, if necessary, properly framed. Be advised there are space limitations.
- Art must be appropriate for an audience of all ages.
- Because space is limited, the committee reserves the right to determine which pieces become part of an exhibit.
- All sales shall be conducted between the artist and purchaser. No fee will be retained by First Presbyterian Church, although donations are always welcome.

2024 EXHIBITS

- Our June exhibit has the theme, "*Nurture and Grow*"
- September theme will be "*The Harvest*"
- December will be "*Advent--Darkness Into Light*"

Click [here](#) to download the Artist Submission Form

We find it **far preferable** for artists to submit their form and photograph by e-mail so that all Committee members are able to access it. However, if that is not an option, you may deliver it to the Church at 471 Main Street or mail it to P.O. Box 458, Highlands, NC 28741

Question? Contact the committee at: FPCHartspace@gmail.com.