

The African American Museum of Iowa in partnership with
Cedar Rapids Museum of Art announces a

CALL FOR ENTRIES

Power & Impact: A Survey of 21st Century Black Visual Arts in Iowa October 28, 2023 – March 31, 2024

Power and Impact is a partnership between the African American Museum of Iowa (AAMI) and the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art (CRMA). This juried show is designed to explore the contemporary visual arts being produced through the unique perspective of Black artists in Iowa. From painting to ceramics, visitors will be exposed to visual perspectives responding to socio-economic and cultural perspectives, identity, race, and historical narratives. The pieces selected in this exhibition will provide a better understanding of the valuable contributions African Americans continue to make to the visual culture of Iowa.

All visual media created since 2000 accepted. Open to all Black artists, ages 18 and older, who currently reside in the state of Iowa. Please send resume and up to three images of created work(s) to fwolfe@blackiowa.org. Submission deadline is Friday June 30, 2023. Accepted artists will be posted on www.blackiowa.org and www.crma.org by August 2023.

Jurors:

Felicite Wolfe, Curator & Collections Manager, African American Museum of Iowa,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Dr. Richard Merritt, Artist, Professor of Art, and Visual Communication Program
Director, Luther College, Decorah, Iowa

Chawne Paige, Artist, Curator, Waterloo Center for the Arts, Waterloo, Iowa

SHIPPING DATES

October 9 - 12, 2023: If you are shipping your artwork, the delivery must arrive between 10am and 4pm between Monday, October 9, 2023 and Thursday, October 12, 2023. Ship to CRMA, 410 Third Avenue SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401, attention *Power & Impact*, Jaci Falco, Registrar. Please provide postage for returning your artwork to you after the exhibition. Accepted artwork must be delivered by 4pm on October 12, 2023. Work may arrive at CRMA no earlier than October 9 and cannot arrive later than October 12.

Work not delivered on time may not be included in the exhibition.

DROP OFF DATES

October 11- October 12, 2023: If you are hand-delivering your artwork to the CRMA, please drop it off from 12pm to 4pm on Wednesday, October 11 or Thursday, October 12. Come to the front desk and ask for Jaci Falco, Registrar. Accepted artwork must be delivered by 4pm on October 12, 2023. If these times do not work for you, please email jfalco@crma.org to schedule an appointment.

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The AAMI has a small fund to help offset the cost of shipping or travel. Contact Felicite Wolfe at fwolfe@blackiowa.org.

October 26, 2023: Members Preview reception of exhibition, including all artists and guests: 5-7pm.
Exhibition continues through March 31, 2024.

PICK UP DATES

April 4- April 5, 2024: Hand-delivered artwork available for pick up. Come to the front desk and ask for Jaci Falco, CRMA Registrar, from 12pm to 4pm on Thursday, April 4 or Friday, April 5. If these times do not work for you, please email jfalco@crma.org to schedule an appointment.

RETURN SHIPPING DATES

April 2024: Shipped artwork will be returned to the artist.

UPON ACCEPTANCE:

SPECIFICATIONS: All work must be completely prepared for museum quality hanging. Plexiglass or glass must cover watercolors, drawings, photographs, and prints. Glass must cover pastels. Stretched canvas does not have to be framed but must have hardware such as D-rings.

SHIPPING: All work shipped must be sent in reusable materials and sturdy boxes. See above for delivery dates. **NOTE:** Artists are responsible for ALL shipping arrangements, shipping insurance, and payments for both incoming and outgoing

artwork. Please note hours of delivery and make note to shipper so that second attempt costs are avoided. The CRMA will return your work at the conclusion of the exhibition.

For questions regarding loan paperwork, shipping, delivery, and specifications please contact:

Jaci Falco
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All other inquiries regarding the exhibition please contact:

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