



## **Invasive Species & Biodiversity-Juried Art Competition**

The Central Kootenay Invasive Plant Committee is currently accepting submissions for a juried art competition and exhibition, with the theme of invasive species and biodiversity. The exhibition will take place from June 6-15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at the Rossland Art Gallery. This exhibition is intended to raise the profile and public discussion around invasive species and biodiversity within the Central Kootenay region. This is a **Juried Art Competition**, with cash prizes available to the top 3 art pieces and one cash prize for the best Youth-under 19 art piece.

### **This event will:**

- Highlight the impacts of invasive species on biodiversity within the Central Kootenay region
- Educate the public about existing invasive species within the region
- Increase the public dialogue on invasive species and the potential associated impacts on biodiversity
- Provide an educational and interactive platform for learning about invasive species and their impacts
- Showcase local artists and their works

### **Request for submissions:**

The Central Kootenay Invasive Plant Committee is requesting submission from artists within the Central Kootenay region (from individuals residing in the Regional District Central Kootenay and the Regional District Kootenay Boundary Area A and B) to submit art pieces to exhibit and compete for cash prizes.

### **Criteria**

Artists are invited to create and submit artworks of any category or medium (**except for** flower arrangements and potpourri with seed pods; live animal specimens; food products) in the theme of invasive species and/or biodiversity. Interpretation of the theme is left to the artist.

All reasonable entries will be accepted for exhibition. All entries will be considered by a selection committee for the 4 available cash prizes (see below for cash prize details). The final 4 cash prize winning artworks will be selected on the basis of high technical quality, aesthetic achievement, addresses the themes of invasive species and/or biodiversity, and diversity in style/subject matter, by the selection committee. Winners will be notified prior to the June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014 opening event. Submissions must all be original works of craft and made by the person submitting the entry; up to 3 art pieces may be submitted by any one artist.



### **Important Dates**

***Deadline for art submissions:*** Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm

***Notification of Cash Prize Winners:*** May, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 by 4:00pm

***Drop-off of art piece(s) at Rossland Art Gallery:*** June 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 between 12:00-6:00 pm

***Exhibition Dates:*** June, 6<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, 2014

***Exhibition Gala Opening Event:*** June, 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from 7:00 pm to 10:30 pm

***Art piece pick-up at Rossland Art Gallery:*** June 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014 between 12:00-6:00 pm

### **Cost:**

There is no charge to submit an entry. Maximum three art pieces per artist.

### **Cash Prizes**

1<sup>st</sup> - \$1000.00

2<sup>nd</sup> - \$500.00

3<sup>rd</sup> - \$250.00

Special Youth Prize (under 19) - \$125.00

### **Submission must include:**

- Completed 2014 art exhibition submission form
- 1 photo of art piece

### **Methods of submission (prefer electronic, 1 submission form per artist):**

a. Email photo(s) with the submission form to Program Manager Jennifer Vogel at [jvogelckipc.ca](mailto:jvogelckipc.ca)

b. Mail hard copies to the Central Kootenay Invasive Plant Committee, Suite 19 - 622 Front Street Nelson, BC, V1L 4B7

*\*Note: Exhibition will include an art sale. Participation in that sale is at the discretion of the artist. Art pieces are not required to be made for sale. All proceeds of the sale, minus a 2% commission, which is payable to the Central Kootenay Invasive Plant Committee, will remain with the artist.*