



**ART AND CONSERVATION: OUR
HIDDEN TREASURES**
THIRD BI-ANNUAL EXHIBITION
Spring 2011



HISTORY:

ART AND CONSERVATION: OUR HIDDEN TREASURES began in 2007 as a collaboration between the Cibolo Nature Center, Cibolo Arts Council, and Boerne Area Artists Association. The purpose of ART AND CONSERVATION is to raise awareness and promote conservation of Texas Hill Country land, water, wildlife and native plants. Some of these treasures are hidden away on private property. Others are often overlooked as we pursue our busy lives. ART AND CONSERVATION promotes works of art that focus on these local natural resources by giving artists special access to private land and encouraging work inspired by local public lands, such as, parks and along Texas backroads.

There have been several changes since the last show. Boerne Area Artist Association has become Boerne Professional Artists. The Cibolo Arts Council has evolved into the Hill Country Council for the Arts, which encompasses a much larger geographic area.

ART AND CONSERVATION 2009- 2011

The call for entries will extend to the entire Texas Hill Country. Artists will be **juried** into the ART AND CONSERVATION SHOW, Spring, 2011 by submitting a digital image of an original artwork inspired by a public natural area in the Texas Hill Country. Artists are urged to limit the inclusion of man-made construction, to look beyond the usual Texas Hill Country clichés, such as, deer and bluebonnets, and search out unique native plants, animals and physical features of this region. Those who are selected will then be in a lottery for private property assignments.

CALENDAR:

November 1, 2009: Letters sent to artists inviting their participation

Deadline March 1, 2010: Artists submit one digital image of artwork inspired by a natural area on Texas Hill Country public land. This work or a similar piece will then be available for sale at the **2011 Art and Conservation Exhibition**. Email image (300 dpi, jpg), and Entry Form to kvillarreal@cibolo.org at Boerne's Cibolo Nature Center. The Entry Fee of \$15 can be paid online at hccarts.org/hccarts-store or mailed to the Hill Country Council for the Arts, P.O. Box 2024, Boerne, TX 78006. This fee also provides the artist with a discounted annual membership in the Hill Country Council for the Arts.

Selection March 8, 2010: Jury selects artists, assignments to private properties are made and artists are notified.

Dates for access to private property (some restrictions may apply depending on landowners):

March 20-28, 2010	spring
June 5-13, 2010	summer
November 13-21, 2010	fall
January 22-30, 2011	winter

After contacting the landowner, artists may visit their assigned properties during any or all of these times as arranged with the landowner.

Deadline March 9, 2011: Artists deliver Exhibit Form by email to Linda Chalberg, llchalberg@hughes.net or by mail to 117 Elm Springs Drive, Boerne, TX 78006. Artwork information provided will be used on printed display tags. Exhibit Form to be provided later.

Deadline March 9, 2011: Artists send names and addresses of your invited guests (maximum of 2) for the Private Viewing Reception to Cindy Glass (nature@cibolo.org) at the Cibolo Nature Center, 140 City Park Rd, Boerne, Texas 78006

Deadline PARADE OF ARTISTS, 2011 (Specific dates to be announced)

Wednesday: Artists deliver 2 works of art (the public land juried piece selected in March, 2010 (or similar work) and the one created from access to private property) to the Cibolo Nature Center from 2 to 5pm. Attach ID label to the upper left corner on the back of the work. Check in each painting at the desk. (ID label provided later) Works are due at the CNC between 2 and 5pm. Jurors view work prior to the reception and choose winners.

Thursday: Private Reception for artists, land owners and special patrons at the CNC from 6-8pm.

Friday: Public viewing from 10am to 5pm during CNC regular hours

Saturday-Sunday: Public viewing of the exhibit as part of the BPA Parade of Artists, hours TBA

Saturday: Concert at CNC, TBA

After the Parade of Artists Event, unsold work will be moved to the Boerne Visitor Center for an additional period of viewing and sales through the Second Saturday Art & Wine Walk on May 14 2011.

Monday, May 16, 2011: All remaining art **must** be picked up at the Boerne Visitor Center, 1407 S. Main, between 10 and 5pm.

AWARDS: A **Purchase Award of \$2000** will be presented for purchase of the artwork selected by a jury. Although the artist will retain reproduction rights, the CNC will also be permitted to reproduce the image for marketing and for sales in the Nature Center Gift Shop.

Two Honorable Mention Ribbons and a People's Choice Award will be presented.

JURORS: Naturalist Richard Heilburn and two others from the region's art community.

ARTWORK SPECIFICATIONS:

- Artists may submit 2 original pieces (one of which must be created from the private property assigned)
- Art can be 2 or 3 dimensional
- All work submitted must be for sale. Only work created from the private property will be considered for the Purchase Award.
- Artwork dimensions may be no wider than 48" on the longest side.
- Any medium is acceptable.
- Only originals will be accepted.
- Content should reflect the Texas Hill Country plants, wildlife, land or water. Please limit the use of farmhouses/structures or stereotypical scenes. Make natural features the focus of the artwork.
- All work must be completely prepared for hanging with screw eyes and wire attached. Pieces larger than 11" x14" requiring glazing must use Plexiglas.

SALES: All artwork will be for sale. As one of the locations for the **2011** Parade of Artists, the Hill Country Council for the Arts will provide display panels and lighting for the show. The Cibolo Nature Center will staff and host the exhibit and process all sales. Any applicable credit card fee and a 20% commission will be retained to benefit the CNC Outdoor Education and Citizen Science Programs. Unsold work from the Parade of Artists will be moved to the Boerne Visitor Center for an additional period of viewing and sales through the Second Saturday Art & Wine Walk on May 14,2011. After that, unsold work will belong to the artist.

LIABILITY: The Cibolo Nature Center and the Boerne Visitor Center will not be responsible for loss or damage of work. All art will be handled with the greatest care. Insurance coverage is the responsibility of the individual artist.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

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Or visit www.hccarts.org; www.cibolo.org.
