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AREA 9 AGENCY SPONSORS 4th ANNUAL SENIOR ART COMPETITION

Area 9 Agency, with the support of Indiana University East, is hosting their 4th annual art competition and exhibit for seniors age 60 and over. This competition is open to all artists, amateur or advanced, who reside in Fayette, Franklin, Rush, Union or Wayne County; however, those living outside of these counties, but who are members of a senior center within the five county area, are eligible to participate as well.

Categories for both amateur and advanced painting are oil, acrylic, or watercolor. Categories for amateur and advanced drawing are pastel, pencil, chalk, or pen & ink. Collages, sculpture, glasswork and photographs will be evaluated in open divisions. New this year is a category for "Other" which will include artwork that does not fit into one the above categories. Those persons interested in entering this category are asked to check with Judy Ford, Coordinator, or Ed Thornburg, Curator, prior to submission.

Artists may bring their entries to IU East Art Gallery July 28th-30th from 1:00pm to 5:00pm. For those unable to deliver their work, the Agency will pick up artwork at the following locations:

July 27th – Western Wayne Senior Center and Nettle Creek Senior Center

July 28th – Union County Senior Center and Franklin County Senior Center

July 29th – Fayette County Senior Center and Rush County Senior Center

July 30th – Richmond Senior Community Center and Centerville/Abington Senior Center

Open judging will take place Friday, July 31st, at 9:00am in the Community Room located in Whitewater Hall on the IU East campus. Submitting artists and interested persons are invited to attend. Entries will then be displayed in the Meijer Artway from August 3rd through September 18th. The public is invited to visit the Meijer Artway and check out the talents of our local seniors. A reception honoring the artists will be held in Whitewater Hall on August 5th at 7:00pm.

There are no entry fees; however artists will be limited to one entry only. Official entry forms and rules are available at the Area 9 Agency Richmond office, local senior centers, and the art

gallery at IU East. For more information, contact Judy Ford at 765-966-1795 or 800-458-9345, or juford@iue.edu.