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**Allied Arts Council Call for 2019 Sculpture Walk Artists**

**ST. JOSEPH, MO**—The Allied Arts Council along with the City of St. Joseph invites regional, national and international sculpture artists to enter a sculpture for the sixth annual St. Joseph Sculpture Walk.

The Sculpture Walk is an exhibit of beautiful outdoor sculptures displayed for one year in Downtown St. Joseph, Missouri.

The selected sculptures will be displayed Downtown for the June 2019-May 2020 exhibition. Artists receive a \$500 honorarium if their piece is selected and compete for up to \$13,000 in cash prize awards. Each sculpture is for sale to the public. Additionally, one sculpture is purchased to become a permanent part of St. Joseph's public art collection.

Teresa Fankhauser, executive director of the Allied Arts Council, said she hopes to see new artists apply and display their sculptures in our city.

"People love walking Downtown and seeing the sculptures," Fankhauser said. "It's great to see sculptures become permanent in St. Joseph."

The deadline for submission is February 1, 2019 with notification of acceptance on or before February 20, 2019. For more information and how to apply, interested sculptors should visit the Council's website, [www.stjoearts.org](http://www.stjoearts.org).

The Sculpture Walk continues to grow in its success and attract individuals to the area. Patrons from various cities, states and countries have visited Downtown St. Joseph to experience the annual exhibit.

Public support is needed for a successful program. Anyone interested in supporting the program should contact the Allied Arts Council at 816-233-0231. An opening reception for artists, sponsors and the public will be held June 14, 2019.

*The Allied Arts Council was organized in 1963 to provide service to St. Joseph area arts organizations, artists, and the general public. The Council has since grown into a federation of sixteen arts agencies and now produces community arts programs, raises funds, promotes public awareness, and provides service and support to its member agencies. The Allied Arts Council seeks to make St. Joseph a better place to live through the arts, and its mission is to provide leadership and support for the arts and to its member organizations.*

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