

Call to artists

WHAT the DECK?
art show

An exhibition & fundraiser for the
National Steinbeck Center
& Dorothy's Place



The National Steinbeck Center in Salinas, is looking for artists for an upcoming exhibition & fundraiser, where artists can showcase their work on a skateboard deck to be displayed with approximately 50 other artistically created decks in the National Steinbeck Center's magnificent rotunda.

How to enter:

Artist will be chosen based on talent, experience and desire to enter the show. The artists will be hand-picked by a panel of judges. We are looking for a diversity of artists from all backgrounds. We are looking for sculptural motifs, paintings, photographs, carvings and prints that can be rendered on to a skateboard deck. Email/mail us samples of your work or why you would like to enter the show when you submit your entry form. All entry forms must be received by Friday, July 31st. There is no application fee or exhibition fee. However, a deposit of \$ 25.00 for the board is required until it is completed. The deposit will be returned once the finished deck is returned to the National Steinbeck Center. Pre-paid postage is required if you would like us to mail you a deck. All the art decks on exhibit will be available for sale by silent auction.

Pickup and drop off:

Artists can expect to pick up their decks starting on Friday July 10th at the National Steinbeck Center. The Art Decks must be returned to the National Steinbeck Center and ready for installation no later than Friday September 4th.

Exhibition:

This exhibition opens on September 19, 2009 at the National Steinbeck Center with a gallery reception being held that day. Participating artists are invited to attend the opening reception (no cost). This is a great opportunity for artists to come on site to show your work to family and friends, sell or promote your work on site, raise money for a good cause, and have some great fun. A skateboarding event is being planned to be held across the street from the National Steinbeck Center. The exhibition will close on October 17, 2009. At the close of the exhibition winning bidders will acquire the piece of artwork and the money raised will become a donation to the National Steinbeck Center and Dorothy's Place.

We are also looking for exhibit sponsors and live skateboarding event sponsors. If you would like to get involved, call Jill at 831-578-4198.

Submission:

Email: artwork samples to DeborahS@Steinbeck.org

Mail: The National Steinbeck Center, One Main Street, Salinas, CA 93901

Any other questions can be answered by contacting:

Art Show: Deborah Silguero @ 831.775.4732 deborahs@steinbeck.org

Submissions: Chuck Casella @ 831.917.7290 usachuck@hotmail.com

Skate Event: Jill Allen @ 831.578.4198 Jill.Allen@DorothysPlace.org



The National Steinbeck Center is a nonprofit cultural institution that focuses on the legacy of John Steinbeck, art education for all ages, community and art outreach, and our overall goal of displaying artwork for a booming community. We are located in the heart of the Salinas Valley often called the Valley of the World or just Steinbeck County on Main Street. We have a unique space in historical downtown, which gives us the opportunity to be within our community with ready access to its residents.

Steinbeck.org



Dorothy's Place

Franciscan Workers of Junipero Serra established Dorothy's Place Hospitality Center 27 years ago on the most blighted, forgotten block in Salinas to serve the poor and homeless. Since then, they have loved without exception, creating a soup kitchen, day shelter, health clinic, emergency women's shelter and an art studio/gallery, all free of charge to their guests. Dorothy's Place believes in the value and dignity of every person, in hospitality for our most marginalized, and in a future where our respect of our neighbor transcends fear and greed. Dorothysplace.org