



**Mayor's Office  
to Combat  
Domestic Violence**

**Commission on  
Gender Equity**

## **Call for Artists: NYC's "Response and Resiliency" Exhibit Now Accepting Visual Art**

### **Summary**

This November, the Mayor's Office to Combat Domestic Violence (OCDV) and the Commission on Gender Equity (CGE), will host an art exhibit that showcases visual art pieces about gender-based violence. This exciting exhibit will take place during the City's annual observance of the global campaign, *16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence*.

This groundbreaking campaign seeks to raise awareness and inspire action at the community level to end violence against girls, women, transgender, and gender non-conforming persons. Our goal is to provide a platform for diverse artists who create work about gender-based violence and its impact on individuals, families, and communities. The theme of the exhibit is "Response and Resiliency" and will explore how people move forward from or respond to acts of gender-based violence committed against them or others.

Art submitted should:

- a) Honor and highlight the power of survivorship and what it means to be a survivor;
- b) Commemorate those harmed or lost due to acts of gender-based violence;
- c) Inspire or move people to stand in solidarity with survivors of gender-based violence; and/or
- d) Educate others about some aspect of gender-based violence.

Artists may submit new work or work from previous collections for consideration. Visual art pieces of any medium (photography, paint, sculpture, drawing, graphic, illustration, videography, installation, or other) will be considered for selection.

### **Selection Process**

The selection panel, led by exhibit curator Jasmine Castillo, will include two artists and staff from OCDV and CGE. All work will be considered. Up to four pieces per artist or artist group will be selected for the exhibit.

### **How to Apply**

Artists and artist groups of all ages who are living and working in New York City are welcome to apply. Artists who are survivors of gender-based violence, sexual violence, intimate partner violence, and dating violence are strongly encouraged to apply. Youth artists and those from other traditionally underrepresented groups are also strongly encouraged to apply. Submit up to 15 images of your work, along with its accompanying description, and a brief artist statement to [submityouractivism@gmail.com](mailto:submityouractivism@gmail.com).

The deadline for submissions is September 10, 2018.

### **Location**

The exhibit will premiere during an opening reception on November 28, 2018. The exhibit will run through December 5, 2018 at El Barrio Artspace at PS109, located at 215 E 99th St, New York, NY 10029.

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