

Winter 2013

Dear Land Owner/Manager,

You are invited to participate in the 2012-13 ART AND CONSERVATION: OUR HIDDEN TREAURES project! This endeavor is made possible by a collaborative effort among Cibolo Nature Center, Hill Country Council for the Arts, and Boerne Professional Artists.

Our purpose is to raise awareness and promote conservation of Texas Hill Country native plants, wildlife, landscape and water. The ART AND CONSERVATION project promotes works of art that focus on these local natural resources by providing artists special access to private land and other special property with limited access.

This is our 4th bi-annual ART AND CONSERVATION show. Both artists and properties are from the Texas Hill Country region. All artists must first be juried into the program in order to participate. Twenty-five artists will be invited to create 1 or 2 original works of art inspired by the property to which they are assigned by lottery. Artists may work in any medium or style to produce 2- or 3-dimensional pieces. Artists are urged to avoid 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.

ART AND CONSERVATION artworks will be displayed to the public at the Cibolo Nature Center during the Annual Boerne Professional Artists Spring Parade of Artists Weekend in April of 2013 Parade of Artists. Works will be for sale and a percentage of the sales benefit outdoor education and citizen science research programs at the Cibolo Nature Center. You will be strongly encouraged to attend a special invitation, preview reception for participating artists and landowners on Thursday, April 11th, preceding the ART AND CONSERVATION: OUR HIDDEN TREASURES exhibit event opening.

ART AND CONSERVATION paintings are automatically entered into a Best of Show Award competition that provides a cash award to the winner. A panel of judges will select the winner as well as two Honorable Mentions. A "People's Choice" award will be selected by visitors to the 2013 Parade of Artists show.

You are invited to open your property to 1 or 2 artists during any or all of the four seasonal "window dates" for the 2012-13 ART AND CONSERVATION: OUR HIDDEN TREASURES project.

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As a participating landowner, you may limit the times and locations to be used by the artists assigned to your property. You may also work with your artist/s to determine a visiting schedule that works best for you.

Artists will be assigned to a property by a lottery drawing on May 8, 2012. To enter your property in the 2012-13 ART AND CONSERVATION: OUR HIDDEN TREASURES project, please complete and email the following application form to me at krystal@cibolo.org or send it to me in care of the Cibolo Nature Center, P.O. Box 9, Boerne, Texas 78006 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND BEFORE APRIL 15. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you, and I hope you will consider participating!

Sincerely yours,

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Please enter my property as a site for 1-2 artists to visit during the 2012-2013 ART IN CONSERVATION: OUR HIDDEN TREASURES project.

Write a brief description of areas on your property open to the artists. (Water, canyons and cliffs are often of special interest.)

NAME OF PROPERTY:
CONTACT PERSON'S NAME: MAILING ADDRESS:
PROPERTY ADDRESS:
DIRECTIONS TO PROPERTY:
EMAIL ADDRESS: PHONE NUMBERS:
SPECIAL LIMITATIONS OR REQUESTS:

PLEASE CIRCLE ALL OF THE DATES YOUR PLACE CAN BE

AVAILABLE TO THE ARTIST(S). (For optimal light conditions, artists usually wish to visit in early morning or late afternoon. It may be helpful to take them directly to the special features on your place.)

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The artist assignments will be made on May 8, 2010. You will be notified within 7 days and given the contact information for the artist(s) assigned to your property.