# **Call for Artists**







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ARTs East New York Inc. 851 Hegeman Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11207 718.676.6006p 718.676.6007f Artseastny.org This June, ARTs East New York is hosting a pop-up gallery tour and invites artists in all disciplines to submit work for exhibition relating to the following three themes: Threadz: Untwining Mistaken Messages Within the Fabric of Hip Hop

The tragic murder of Trayvon Martin forces us to think seriously about perceptions of Hip Hop culture and its representations in mainstream society. The reigning image of Black youth centers on the Hip Hop aesthetic, a mode of expression that can be identified by styles of art and fashion. We ask artists to examine Hip Hop as a depiction of the urban lifestyle, its reception by the larger public and its potential for positively reflecting the African American youth experience. This exhibition is being held in honor of Trayvon Martin, and works speaking directly to this heartbreaking death, and its connection to Hip Hop, are especially encouraged.

I ART East New York

East New York might be somewhere you visit, the place where you work or the community you call home. Even if you've only heard about the neighborhood, we invite you to explore East New York through your art. Pieces that most creatively and positively portray the culture, character and community of this Brooklyn destination will be chosen for exhibition.

## Juneteenth: A Revelation of Freedom

Juneteenth commemorates the day on which African Americans in Texas, who had been kept enslaved two and a half years past the abolition of slavery, finally received news of their freedom. For this exhibit, we are requesting works that celebrate this moment of enlightenment, pay homage to ancestors who afforded this autonomy and investigate the African diaspora at large as a legacy of liberation. Pieces that best honor and examine the legacy of the African experience in the United States will be included in this important exhibit.

### Entry Requirements:

Submit up to five works per theme for consideration. Pieces should not exceed 6' in any dimension and weigh no more than 50 lbs. E-mail JPEGs of 300 dpi resolution and 4" x 6" size to **erika@artseastny.org** 

Include the name and dimensions of each piece, along with a short description and personal bio. Entries will be accepted through May 11th at 11pm. There is no fee for submission or participation.

### Selection Process & Accepted Work

A committee will make the final selections for the show and artists will be notified of selection via e-mail at the end of May. All artists are responsible for delivering their works to ARTs East New York and ensuring their readiness for installation. Designated appointments for drop-off will be arranged at the beginning of June.

### Exhibition Information:

All three exhibitions will be part of a one-night pop-up gallery tour on June 22<sup>nd</sup> in East New York. *I ART East New York* will be displayed in establishments around the New Lots Triangle. *Juneteeth* will be showcased about the perimeter of the New Lots Library. *Threadz* will have a month long run at the ARTs East New York gallery. ARTs East New York will charge a 10% commission fee for any works sold during the show. Works not sold will need to be picked up from 851 Hegeman Ave. at a time and date arranged with the artist.

### **About ARTs East New York**

The mission of **ARTs East New York** is to provide access, affordability and exposure to the arts for the East New York community while using the arts as a tool for social change. **ARTs East New York** uses the arts to transform youth culture, enhance neighborhood beautification, and increase civic engagement.

