

## Call for Art – Community Arts Share – Opening April 11, 2026

**Theme:**

The Community Arts Share will celebrate the creative talents of Madbury, Durham and Lee residents. The emphasis is not on 'fine art' and this is NOT a competition; it's a celebration of our communities' creative diversity.

**Eligibility:**

As the first Arts Share in the community, sponsored by Community Connections of Durham, Lee and Madbury, eligibility is for adult residents of those towns. Because we are not sure how many entries we will get, and we have limited space at the library, it is likely that we will not be able to accept all entries. If we don't select your piece, please *don't* take it personally!

While we recognize the many talents of our children and youth, we want to establish the Community Arts Share with adults before we open it up to kids.

**Submission:**

If you are interested in participating, let us know. We will ask you to send us a picture and description of your artwork (including dimensions and medium).

Entrants can enter 1 or 2 art pieces, with "art" being interpreted broadly to mean paintings, photographs, fiber arts, sculptures, drawings, or multi-media.

After all the entries are in, organizers will let you know if we can accommodate one or more of your works. Given limited wall and display space, we are unlikely to be able to accommodate everyone who is interested, and what we select will depend on size, scale, material and our ability to display your work safely.

Once the pieces that will be included in Art Share are selected, we will ask for details on the artists and their art, which will go in a program to accompany the exhibit.

While we won't be advertising works for sale, artist contact information will be available at the library so that if anyone is interested in buying your piece, Arts Share patrons will have a way to reach you.

**Deadlines:**

The deadline for emailed entries, including photographs and descriptions of art entries is **Saturday March 7**. We will let you know by **Sunday March 15** if we'd like to display your work at our first ever Community Arts Share. If you are selected, we'll take care of displaying your work, which you will have to drop off at the Madbury Library on **Thursday April 9** for the Arts Share Opening on **Saturday April 11**.

The Arts Share Exhibit will close on **Saturday April 25**, and you will have to pick up your art that day at the Madbury Library.

**Hold Harmless:** While we will make every effort to take care of your art and protect it from all harm, please don't submit anything you would be devastated to lose or have damaged. We will ask all entrants to sign a waiver saying they understand that they will not hold Madbury, the Library, its Trustees, Friends of the Library, Community Connections or any individual volunteer liable for any loss or damage.

**Submission For – Community Connections Arts Share**  
**April 11 – April 28 at the Madbury Library**  
**11 Town Hall Road, Madbury NH**

**Name of Artist**

email

phone number

town

**Name of Piece**

Medium (i.e., acrylic, clay,  
fabric, photograph, etc.)

**Dimensions of art work**

**Instructions about handling /  
displaying (if any)**

**Short Artist Bio  
(75 words max - optional)**

We will consider up to 2 pieces from any artist, but ask that you please fill out a separate form for each piece. Please note that all artwork *must* be wired for hanging (there is limited space for non-hanging art).

Send completed form(s) along with a high resolution image of your artwork to Shaune McCarthy ([shaunemccarthy@gmail.com](mailto:shaunemccarthy@gmail.com)) and Mary Downes ([mary.downes.7@gmail.com](mailto:mary.downes.7@gmail.com)) by March 7, 2026.