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Press Release

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Village Theatre Art Gallery Presents *9th Annual Juried Exhibit: Into the Blue*

The Town of Danville's Village Theatre Art Gallery is calling all artists to show how they see the color blue: blue skies, blue berries, blue bells, blue oceans, and blue eyes....Over the course of art history, artists have used all shades of blue to express themselves. Blue connotes a sense of calm and tranquility and today is popular in a wide variety of art, from traditional landscapes and seascapes to abstract art.

The 9th annual juried exhibit, 'Into the Blue' is looking for artists to share their interpretation of blue, how they use it in their art and how it informs their work.

Interested artists are encouraged to submit their entries online at <https://townofdanville.submittable.com/submit/136837/call-for-artists-into-the-blue-9th-annual-juried-exhibit>

Exhibition dates are June 28 – August 17, 2019. **The deadline for entries is May 17, 2019.**

About the Juror: The juror for this year's exhibition is local artist and art professor, Leo Bersamina. Bersamina was born in San Francisco, California and grew up surfing and fishing on the coast, just south of the city. Early on, Bersamina began studying art and design in Santa Cruz, California. Later he attended San Francisco State University to finish his BA with an emphasis in Studio Art. He received an MFA in Painting at Yale School of Art in New Haven, Connecticut. Upon graduation from Yale, Bersamina lived in New York City until he returned to California to teach Studio Art at UC Berkeley.

An Opening Reception for the exhibition is scheduled for Friday, **June 28, 2019 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30.m.** Two very talented musicians from *The Jazz Room*, will be doing a live musical performance during the reception. Complimentary refreshments will be served. The exhibit runs through August 17, 2019. Artwork in the exhibition will be for sale. Admission is free.

The Village Theatre and Art Gallery is open to visitors Wednesday through Friday 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and Monday and Tuesday by appointment only. The Art Gallery is closed on Sundays.

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