

The Mockingbird Poetry Society and the Art Club of McKinney Announce the Kickoff of the 3rd Annual Art Meets Poetry Collaboration

Artists and Poets May Submit Work Until December 16

MCKINNEY, Texas – November 10, 2023 – On October 15, the <u>Mockingbird Poetry Society</u> (MPS) and the <u>Art Club of McKinney</u> kicked off their collaborative event, Art Meets Poetry (AMP).

2024 marks the third annual AMP event in McKinney. For this event, the Art Club of McKinney (ACM) and MPS team up for an event that pairs two unique creative perspectives in a single display. Poets can select an artwork and write a poem about it, and artists can select a poem to inspire an artwork up to 40 pairings. We post available <u>poetry and artwork selections</u> online. Participants must submit entries and submission fees by December 16, 2023.

The event is open to everyone. Submissions from AMP and ACM members are free. Nonmembers of the clubs pay a nominal \$10 submission fee or may join one of the groups.

Proceeds from AMP benefit food security organizations in McKinney, including the <u>Community</u> <u>Garden Kitchen, Community Lifeline Center</u> and the <u>Community Food Pantry</u>.

The art and poetry collaboration display will be available for viewing from 2-8 p.m. on February 3, 2024, at the <u>Cove Cooperative Venue for Creatives</u> at 402 N. Tennessee St., McKinney 75069. Live poetry readings and light refreshments will be available throughout the day. <u>A block of rooms</u> will be available for out-of-town visitors who would like to spend a weekend enjoying all McKinney has to offer.

Many Thanks to Our Supporters

We are grateful for community support from the <u>McKinney Arts Commission</u>, the <u>McKinney</u> <u>Community Development Corporation</u>, the <u>Heard Craig Center for the Arts</u> and <u>The Cove</u> <u>Cooperative Venue for Creatives</u>.

Mockingbird Poetry Society

<u>The Mockingbird Poetry Society</u> is a Chapter of the Poetry Society of Texas. We meet on the first Saturday of the month at the Heard-Craig Center for the Arts Carriage House in historic downtown McKinney. Since 1970, our purpose has been to share and further our knowledge of poetry and inspire each other. We increase literary awareness for all ages in our community through public readings and yearly events.

The Art Club of McKinney

Founded in 1914, <u>The Art Club of McKinney</u> is a diverse group of North Texas artists who meet monthly to celebrate the beauty of art, friendship and community. Members range from up-

and-coming artists to nationally recognized names. Our membership includes painters, illustrators, photographers, potters and people who enjoy art.

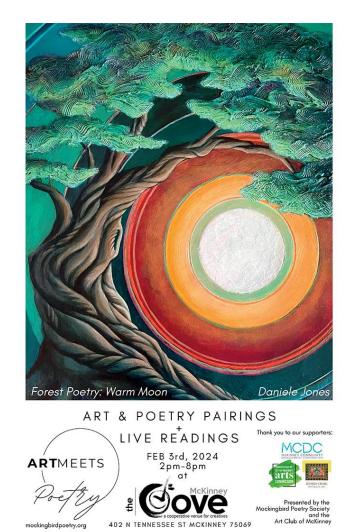
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