**Call for Participation: Works for Virtual Gallery Show**

***Celebrating Change:* *Women and the Right to Vote***

Dallas Public Library strengthens communities by connecting people, inspiring curiosity, advancing lives and working for racial equity. We are looking to fulfill the mission through this open call opportunity, facilitating a platform for artists to share their point of view as it relates to women and the right to vote.

We are expressly encouraging visual art makers of all backgrounds and genres to apply for the *Celebrating Change* exhibition through the medium of their disparate visual aesthetics, techniques, and narrative concepts. Modest honorarium will be provided. The show will run from November 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

This show will feature images that engage the notion of celebrating women and the right to vote, on topics of conceptual, political, or social importance using the medium of choice to unveil hidden histories and reveal truths of women and the right to vote.

**Submissions for art should include:**

* A 150-200 word Artist’s Statement detailing the connection to the theme *“Celebrating Change: Women and the Right to Vote”*
* File submitted image to art@dallascityhall.com
* Brief artist statement

**Themes/questions these artworks may address include but are not limited to:**

* Stories of women taking power/leadership
* What communities have been absent from official representations for women in politics and how can they be given a platform to represent themselves?
* History of women of color and the right to vote
* What subjects need to be discussed but are silenced in the public realm in regards to women in leadership roles?
* What needs light shed upon it to create more equitable opportunities for women of color in politics?

Qualifications: Submissions should be suitable for public view and follow the [Dallas Public Library’s Exhibition Policy.](https://dallastxgov.sharepoint.com/sites/city/4eval/lib/Shared%20Documents/LIB-FRM-373.pdf%22%20%5Cl%20%22search%3Dexhibition)

Please send submissions to the following email no later than October 23, 2020. art@dallascityhall.com Selected participants will be notified October 25.

This exhibition will be curated by DPL Fine Arts Division staff. (Mariza Morin, Art Librarian. BA, MLIS; Tiffany Bailey, Manager of Fine Arts Division. BA, MLIS.

Contact: art@dallascityhall.com with any questions.