

## Art@Emmanuel

Emmanuel Lutheran Church 920 Third Avenue, Rockford, Illinois 61104, 815-963-4815 Art@Emmanuel presents:

## "Crosses: Symbol & Form" Exhibit

Calling all artists, collectors and lovers of art! Art@Emmanuel invites you to display your artwork in an upcoming show at Emmanuel during Lent. "Crosses: Symbol & Form" will be a collaboration of new work from artists and pieces from private collections, including favorite small personal items used for prayer. Art@Emmanuel hopes to include a variety of work, in many mediums, from a wide variety of artists and collectors. Everyone is welcome to submit and attend show! Your participation is greatly appreciated.

## Show Description: "Crosses: Symbol & Form"

**Symbol:** The cross stands for many things for many people! To some, the cross symbolizes deep spiritual connection, to others it provokes mixed-emotions. The Cross of Jesus for many Christians is seen as a symbol of redemption, suffering or victory. To some, it's a symbol of power over evil and to others, it represents the transformation into New Life. The empty Cross has been used by Lutherans as a symbol of the Resurrection. Other Christians, like the Celtic Christians use a cross with a circle around it as a symbol of the everlasting love of God. At Emmanuel we have a tradition of carrying a large wooden cross around the neighborhood on Good Friday. It has been a meaningful practice that reaches both bearers and onlookers.

*Form:* Cruciform is one of the most popular forms among painters and other artists. It doesn't necessarily signify any religious content, but can be seen when both horizontal and vertical elements intersect forming a cross shape. We invite you enter art using this form that can be anywhere from abstract to a cityscape, floral design, or any other image. Or you could use the Cross in your work literally as a symbol. You are invited to use this form any way you see fit.

## Guidelines

- All artwork is to be delivered to the church rear entrance *no later* than **February 25<sup>th</sup>**, **2013**, **4 p.m**.
- · Each may submit up to 5 smalls or 3 medium scale or large-scale pieces.
- Exterior hangers/ wired for hanging requested. 3D Crosses, wearable art or jewelry for the boutique table also welcome.
- Please clearly label your Crosses. (back, post-it note, etc) with title, "submitted by" or "from the collection of" and price or NFS.
- You are encouraged to create a special title for your cross to help express the meaning of the cross to the viewer.
- Any insurance on artwork is up to the individual artist or art collector.
- The Art at Emmanuel group requests a 25% tax-deductible donation on all sold items. Make checks payable to Emmanuel Lutheran Church w/memo to "Art at Emmanuel"
- The opening reception is held in the Celebration Room Gallery Sunday morning, **March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013**, **at 11:15am**, immediately following worship.
- Crosses will remain in the gallery until the end of the exhibit, **Easter Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013**.

With your signature below, you agree to allow Emmanuel Lutheran Church to publish your work on the church's website: <u>EmmanuelLutheranRockford.org</u>. ELC is not responsible for loss or damage.

| Name                         |            | Phone      |           |           |          |  |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|--|
| Email                        |            |            |           |           |          |  |
| Address                      |            |            |           |           |          |  |
| I am submitting # of pieces: | 1          | 2          | 3         | 4         | 5        |  |
| Signature                    |            |            | Date      |           |          |  |
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