

March 2023

Dear Artist

I am writing to invite you to take part in ArtCare's Annual Open Exhibition and have pleasure in enclosing an entry pack that contains all the details. **Handing in takes place on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> (10am – 1pm) and Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April (10am-6pm) at the ArtCare office – see map attached.** We have added a weekend and later drop off times for those working – also parking is easier too!

The ArtCare Open is always an exhibition with works of outstanding quality, selected fairly from a large number of entries. The Open exhibition is a great way to showcase your work with nearly 4000 staff and tens-of-thousands of weekly visitors seeing work along the hospital corridors. Remember too that all money raised from entry fees, as well as commissions on sales, supports the ArtCare project which is funded by charitable contributions. The art service is widely appreciated by patients, staff and visitors alike and we very much hope that you will support our work again with a submission of your works.

Entries will be chosen for the final exhibition and an **overall winner will receive a prize of £300** and an opportunity to exhibit later in the year. There will also be **two runners-up prizes of £150** kindly sponsored by Salisbury Hospital League of Friends.

The selection process will take place on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April by a panel of judges from a variety of arts and healthcare backgrounds. We will be running tours and presentations on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May – details to follow in your results letters.

We are able to exhibit approximately 100 works in total. The Open is always a highlight in our exhibition calendar with good levels of interest and sales.

Best wishes

Lesley Self  
ArtCare Exhibitions Organiser