

What Does Compassion Look Like?

Benefit Art Show & Sale

APRIL 3-14, 2019

at OM Center - 1216 Howard Street - Old Market, Omaha

THE PROJECT: During Compassion Omaha's signature event, *Five Days of Compassion*, people are asked to write their thoughts regarding how to make Omaha a more compassionate on Post-It notes - one thing they personally could do to make Omaha a more compassionate place to live. Our intention is to offer an artistic point of view on the subject of compassion and also to raise funds for our organization so that we can sponsor more great events. We've got some amazing things in the works! We heard many wonderful discussions and even classroom projects (of all ages, K-college!) sparked by the art!

THE CHALLENGE: Using Post-it notes from the *Five Days of Compassion*, create a small, 2-D piece of sellable art answering the question: **WHAT DOES COMPASSION LOOK LIKE?**

GUIDELINES: Email us to participate and you'll receive a jpg of three Post-It notes. Use the words as a touchstone to inspire your artwork. The words do not have to be included in the artwork - only the loose concepts of the sentiments. Work in your usual style or experiment. It's totally up to you how you present these concepts-literal, figurative, abstract, whatever you find meaningful! Your notes are displayed on the tag with the details and price of your art. Out of respect for the Tibetan monks who are creating a sacred sand mandala and performing rituals in the same room as our art, we ask that there be no nudity in these works.

•**DETAILS:** Size limit 16" x 20". All sizes/shapes below 16"x 20" are acceptable. All pieces must be wired/ready for hanging. Unusual pieces must have stable hanging mechanisms. We can only use pieces that hang on the wall (no free-standing art). We hang on an uneven brick wall, and have to put nails where we can.

•All art must be for sale. Artist sets pricing. Split will be: 45% to artist, 40% to Compassion Omaha, 10% to the host gallery, a portion of CO's split goes to the monks. Artists can choose to donate their portion of the split to Compassion Omaha, but it's not necessary or expected. The donation to Compassion Omaha is tax-deductible.

•By participating, artists allow photos of their artwork for use in publicity/on social media promoting the art show and Compassion Omaha. We also ask that you share the show info with friends and family and via social media. We want as many people as possible there! This show takes place during a special 11 day visit by the Gaden Shartse Tibetan Monks. They will have displays of their traditional art as well as a large-scale sacred sand painting (Sand Mandala) that will close out the events. We will be hosting events throughout the week, so our art show gets a lot of traffic.

•If you're not in Omaha and would like to participate, contact Roxanne for a mailing address. Please include a check to cover shipping art back to you (in case it doesn't sell). Of course, if it does - and why shouldn't it - we'll return the check to you. Make it to Compassion Omaha. We won't deposit unless we have to return your art.

CALENDAR:

•**MARCH 4:** Begin requesting Post-It notes. Email Rox: roxwach@compassionomaha.org for notes.

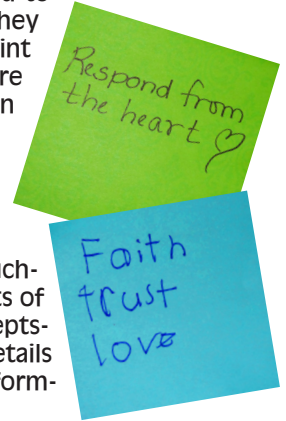
•**TUES. APRIL 2, noon-5pm:** Drop-off ready to display artwork with paperwork (pg. 2 of this pdf) to OM Center, 1216 Howard St., in the Old Market.

•**FRI., APRIL 5, 6-9pm:** First Friday in the Old Market + reception and the monks will be working on the sand mandala. Tell your friends to join us!

•**SUN. APRIL 14, post-2pm ceremony:** Closing ceremony for the mandala at 2pm. All artists will be on the guest list to attend the mandala closing. We ask that you please pick up your art at the conclusion of the ceremony by checking out with Rox or Dan. (Those attending the ceremony get a piece of the mandala to take home - a blessing/good luck!) If you need to come after, ceremony should be done by 4pm or so. Please invite friends and potential buyers to stop by during the week and make a reservation to attend an event!

ABOUT COMPASSION OMAHA: We're a 501(c)(3) nonprofit group dedicating to engaging, inspiring and educating through events and activities which foster active compassion toward all beings, including nonviolence, tolerance/acceptance and universal responsibility. The core group of our board has been bringing events, like the Gaden Shartse Monks, to Omaha for 25+ years. We're always thinking of new ways to help people consider their daily actions as opportunities to make a difference for someone.

QUESTIONS: •Roxanne Wach - roxwach@compassionomaha.org or 402.957.1087 (Email is better!)



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• **FIRST FRIDAY RECEPTION:** APRIL 5, 6-9pm • OM Center - reception + monks and sand mandala!

• **PICK UP:** SUN., APRIL 14, post-2pm ceremony: At the Closing of the Sand Mandala Ceremony - OM Center 1216 Howard St., Old Market. All artists will be on the guest list to attend this beautiful event. Let us know if you can't come, because this event fills up! Pick-up will be following the ceremony, which can last 90 minutes or so. Post-ceremony and getting your piece of the mandala, please find Rox or Dan to check out your art. We'll tell buyers to pick up after the event. If you need to make other arrangements to pick up or drop off art, please let Roxanne know asap! Please print and include this sheet with your artwork when you drop it off. Please fill out all areas with an "•". Checks will be mailed to you when the buyer's checks clear. Thank you!

• Name _____

• Mailing Address _____

• City/State/Zip _____

• Email: _____

• Phone Number: _____ • Media _____

• Title of Piece: _____

• Post-it Notes you based the work on:

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

• Sale Price: _____

• Sale Price division: CO 45% _____, Artist 45% _____, OM 10% _____

• I would like to donate my portion of the sale to Compassion Omaha. YES NO THANKS

Office Use:

Artist _____

Art Title _____

Art Purchased by _____

Buyer Phone number _____

Buyer Email _____

Check #/Date Mailed _____