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**THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION CALLS FOR SUBMISSIONS FROM TEXAS PROFESSIONAL ARTISTS FOR
15th ANNUAL ART ON THE PLAZA COMPETITION**

Winning artwork displayed for one year in downtown Dallas Arts District



Saint Peter's Fish by Kimberley Peterson, 2019 winner

DALLAS – Professional artists across Texas are invited to enter The Catholic Foundation's 15th annual Art on the Plaza competition by **Friday, September 18 at 3 p.m.** for an exceptional exhibition opportunity for the winning artist.

The Catholic Foundation hosts this unique competition to identify a piece of original artwork to adorn a 28-foot-long by 9-foot-wide public art wall in the Dallas Arts District for one year. Works must be respectful in nature as the winning entry will be showcased on the Plaza of the Cathedral Santuario de la Virgen de Guadalupe, **but do not require a religious theme.**

"We are honored to present the Art on the Plaza competition for our 15th year, connecting talented artists and the surrounding community," said Matt Kramer, president and CEO of The Catholic Foundation. "There is still a need for beauty to be shared through public art, especially to uplift us during difficult times."

There are no entry fees, and the winning artist receives a \$2,500 stipend. Honorable mentions are also recognized with a \$250 award. Submissions must measure 28 inches by 9 and 2/3 inches, and the winning work will be digitally reproduced to mural-size dimensions and installed on the art wall. **Photography or computer-generated art are not eligible.** Submission guidelines are available at <https://www.catholicfoundation.com/Support-Tools/Catholic-Foundation-Art-Competition>.

A panel of highly respected members of the local arts community will determine the winning piece, which will be installed and unveiled on the Plaza art wall in fall of 2020.

“It’s a gift that The Catholic Foundation has this available,” said Kimberley Peterson, 2019 Art on the Plaza competition winner. “It’s a great opportunity – take a shot!”

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About The Catholic Foundation Plaza

The Catholic Foundation Plaza is a unique 3,900-square-foot public space located at the Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe, 2215 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas. The Plaza is located at the corner of Flora and Crockett Streets, directly across from the Meyerson Symphony Hall. The Plaza is in a highly visible location for visitors to the Dallas Arts District. Dedicated in 2006, the Plaza was a gift from The Catholic Foundation to the Dallas community to commemorate the Foundation’s 50th anniversary. The wall currently displays last year’s winning piece, “Saint Peter’s Fish” by Kimberley Peterson. Smaller replicas of all past winning artwork are mounted on the wall as well.

About The Catholic Foundation

The Catholic Foundation is a trusted giving vehicle for the Catholic community. Chartered in 1955, the Foundation was founded by a group of dedicated Catholic laymen with a vision that extended far beyond the charitable needs of the moment. The Foundation has spent decades building a strong community, helping donors fulfill their charitable goals, and preserving the founders’ vision and philanthropic legacy. Over time, the Foundation has provided more than \$203 million in grants to religious, charitable and educational organizations. Today, it manages approximately \$220 million in assets and houses more than 470 charitable funds and trusts. For additional information about The Catholic Foundation, call 972-661-9792 or visit www.catholicfoundation.com.