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Summit Artspace to Hold County Photo Exhibition

Summit Artspace is calling for artists to participate in a Summit County photo exhibition. The exhibit, titled "419 Miles of Summit County—Photos of People and Places", is subject-matter based and will represent the geography, business, rural and urban venues and diverse people of Summit County. The exhibit will run in the main gallery from March 1 to March 31.

The focus of the exhibit is to highlight life throughout Summit County using portraits, landscapes, interior spaces, nature, and street photography submitted by local and regional photographers, both professional and hobby. Each photograph will be considered based on its own merit and should include the address/location of the photograph, which must be within the 419 square miles of Summit County.

"I have always been a strong supporter of Summit Artspace and am thrilled with the idea to present a special Summit County exhibit," said Summit County Executive Ilene Shapiro. "I look forward to seeing what places, people and things our local artists choose to feature."

The deadline for entry is February 4. Photographs that have been displayed or exhibited in any gallery or studio in Summit Artspace are not eligible for the exhibition. All subject matter and photographic processes are welcome. The exhibit juror is Gary Harwood, teacher of Visual Storytelling and other photography courses at Kent State University, and current Artist in Residence with the Ohio Arts Council.

Kamelia Fisher, Executive Director of Summit Artspace, expects the vast expanse of Summit County will be reflected in photographs and the photos to convey emotions that speak to the people, history and significance of life in Summit County. "At a time when urban and rural parts of the County are sometimes divided, having an avenue for conversation and mutual appreciation through visual narrative is key," said Fisher.

For more information about the exhibit, visit https://www.summitartspace.org/call-for-artists-2/.