

## BRING HOPE HOME: ART REFLECTION CONTEST

ACW is the home to many women from diverse backgrounds, stories, and lived-experiences. During this year's Bring Hope Home Virtual Event, we want to showcase the talent of our community by hosting an art reflection contest to feature our hopeful moments. Members and friends of the ACW community are encouraged to participate by submitting a photo based on 3 different 'artwork' categories: visual, performing, and literature. A committee of ACW board members, alumni, and residents will review all photo submissions to select top winners under each category which will be featured at the **2022 Bring Hope Home Virtual Event** on **Thursday, December 8, 2022** from **6:30 PM to 8:00 PM PST**.

Share your personal Reflections on this year's theme "***Together, Forward: Inspiring Hope for a Brighter Tomorrow***" through the different creative categories below.

Submissions are due: **Monday, November 28, 2022 at 5:00 PM PST.**

### CREATIVE CATEGORIES:

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- **Visual Arts:** Examples include drawings, painting, photography, videos, etc.
- **Performing Arts:** Examples include music, dance, song, etc.
- **Writing/Literature:** Examples include poetry, rap, short story, etc.

### OFFICIAL RULES AND HOW TO ENTER:

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*By submitting an artwork to the "ACW Bring Hope Home Virtual Event," entrants accept and agree to be bound by the official rules for participation as well as the entry requirements for their specific art categories.*

- 1. ELIGIBILITY:** Any individual associated with ACW (e.g., resident, staff, alumni, board member, community partner, etc.) are eligible to participate.
- 2. CREATIVE CATEGORIES:** There are 3 categories: Visual Arts, Performing Arts, and Literature/Writing. Entrants may enter in one or more arts categories. See each arts category for examples above.
- 3. HOW TO ENTER:** Entrants submit their artwork by uploading their contact information and file at: <https://tinyurl.com/acwsubmitart>

#### 4. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- Only new pieces of artwork inspired by the current year's theme (*Together, Forward: Hope for a Better Tomorrow*) may be submitted,
- Each entry must be the original work of one entrant only.
- Each entry must contain a title and all entries must include a statement. The statement communicates what inspired the work and how it relates to the theme. The statement must include at least 10 words and not exceed 100 words.
- Use of copyrighted material is prohibited.

**All submissions must be submitted in the following file formats: JPEG, JPG, and PNG.**

**5. FINALIST SELECTION AND NOTIFICATION.** Entries are reviewed by a combination of ACW board members, staff, and alumni. Entries will be reviewed primarily on how well the entrant uses their vision to portray the theme, their originality and creativity. Artist category winners will be announced at the 14th Annual ACW Bring Hope Home Virtual Event on Thursday, December 8, 2022 and will receive a prize. To register for the event, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/bringhome2022>

#### Creative EXAMPLES:

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**Title:** “Hope on a Rock”

**Description:** Rock, being so subtle and small, can still be strong to hold ground and keep foundations (like a house or building) in place. ACW is my rock and I feel strengthened and empowered as a woman who came from a broken home.



**Title:** “ACW Heart”

**Description:** My hope is strengthened by letting go of life’s struggles by picking up the chalk and letting my imagination run wild. Today I was feeling thankful to ACW for changing my life.



**Title:** “Knitted Together”

**Description:** My hope is strengthened by wearing this shawl my mother made for me. You see, my mother was incapable of showing love for me, but in my heart, I believe this was her way of saying, “I love you.”