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95th Annual Online Juried Open Show

Juror/Judge: Karyn Mannix comments

It was an honor to serve as the juror for the National Art League. As difficult a decision as it was, it created a wonderful opportunity to recognize outstanding artistic achievement across a wide range of media and styles. I appreciate work that reflects a strong artistic process.

Whether traditional or contemporary, each piece was evaluated for its originality, technical skill, fresh perspective, creativity, and the strength of its visual voice.

Congratulations to the artists.

Keep creating.

About Karyn Mannix:

Karyn Mannix, born in New York, has worked across nearly every facet of the art world. She began her career in fashion and costume design, studying at the Fashion Institute of Technology. By the age of 21, her clothing line had already gained significant visibility, appearing in feature films, *Vogue*, and on the cover of *WWD*. Her work was featured in Cyndi Lauper's HBO tour, Michael Mann's *Crime Stories* television series, and was sold through Patricia Field, as well as exhibited alongside Donna Karan at Bloomingdale's in New York City.

She went on to freelance widely as a fashion illustrator for *WWD* and French Connection, while also creating window installations for Bergdorf Goodman, Diane von Furstenberg, and Barneys New York. Her creative range extended into set and prop design for numerous theater productions.

After relocating to East Hampton, New York, Mannix pursued a second degree in Postmodern Art Theory and Criticism. This academic shift expanded her practice into curating, criticism, and writing, leading to roles as a curator, critic, columnist, gallerist, and educator. She eventually founded her own art school.

Having previously owned and operated four brick-and-mortar galleries, Mannix now works as a private art dealer, representing artists from around the world. Throughout her career, she has maintained her own studio practice, continuing to create visual work while also expanding into music as an electric bassist. She is currently writing a novel centered on the art world.