

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Seeking Original Magic: The Gathering Art for Art Exhibition at Grand Prix Las Vegas

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Grand Prix (GP) Las Vegas Seeks Original Magic: the Gathering (MTG) Art

January 8, 2017 - Mike Linnemann (curator), in association with Cardamajigs, is seeking original MTG visual art submissions for an art exhibition to be held at Grand Prix Las Vegas. The show will be exhibiting traditionally created MTG art.

To be considered, the art piece must have been commissioned by WotC in association with the MTG brand in some capacity, such as card art, promotional image, concept art, etc. Submissions must be sent to the email contact below with a high resolution .jpg image and an accompanying explanation of the work. See more details below.

Project goal:

The goal of the Magic Art Show is to host a memorable contemporary MTG art exhibition at the highest attended MTG event of 2017. The 2017 exhibition will establish a place for showcasing original MTG art work at large scale MTG events.

Project details:

Cardamajigs will be hosting the Magic Art Show, an MTG art exhibition, on site at GP Las Vegas, at the Las Vegas Convention centre, June 14th to 18th, 2017. As the guests walk through plane-specific art rooms, the exhibition will take patrons on a voyage through the visual history of the MTG universe. Furthermore, the gallery space will be utilized for other creative endeavors such as workshops, panels and a food and beverage reception. Exhibition-related memorabilia will also be available for purchase at the gallery vendor space. Subject to resource availability, the exhibition will feature cosplayers and a commemorative token.

This exhibition will be an independently run addition to the GP Las Vegas experience, "planeswalking" attendees through the rich art history of MTG and enhance the GP Las Vegas visitor experience for both travelling players and the local MTG community.

The art exhibition will be free for all attendees. The gallery will be open to the general public throughout the GP, subject to scheduled closures for special exhibit events.

Submission contact:

Submissions must be emailed to: Mike Linnemann info@magicartshow.com Magicartshow.com

Submission must contain:

- High resolution image of the original art piece,
- Explanation of each art piece including title, media, size of piece and how the piece is associated with the MTG brand,
- If submitting more than one artwork, a clear indication of which explanation is for which artwork .jpg,
- Owner's contact information including name, email and where the art is located (country, state/ province, and city),
- If known, the estimated value of the art piece (for insurance purposes only), and
- Transportation details including if the owner will be shipping the art to Las Vegas or transporting it personally.

Please note: shipping works together greatly reduces shipping costs and increases safety of the transportation. If there are plans to partner up with other art owners to ship works together, please include details regarding the shipping in the submission.

Art selection criteria:

To be selected for feature in the exhibition, the work must be:

- the original artwork, painting, sculpture, etc,
- commissioned by Wizards of The Coast in association with the MTG brand,
- available to be in Las Vegas between June 1, 2017 and June 30th, 2017,
- subject to exceptions, located within North America, and
- owned by the applicant.

On a rolling basis, pieces submitted will be reviewed and selected. While it would be our dream to include everyone's submissions, due to resources, only a set number of art works can be selected for inclusion in the exhibition. Applicants will be notified via email if their submission has been selected or if, regrettably, we are unable to make space for the submitted work.

Artwork can be, but not limited to: paintings used for card art, concept sketches, artwork created during a concept art push, maquettes used in the creation of an MTG artwork, unused card art, works used for promotional items, etc. Paintings with concept sketches will be given preferential treatment. Paintings need not be framed to be considered. Digital artwork, prints or reproductions will not be considered.

Insurance will cover both on site and transit, unless waived by the submitting party.

Questions regarding the submission process or artwork selection criteria should be sent to the attention of Mike Linnemann at **info@magicartshow.com.**

Gallery space description:

A two-thousand (2,000) square feet space next to the main GP event room will house the inaugural exhibition. Original art works, including sculptural works, will be either hung on temporary walls or within display cases. Standard overhead convention lighting and temperature control will be in effect.

All chosen art will be arranged in "rooms" according to MTG plane identity. Visitors will be "planeswalking", traveling from room to room, through each featured plane.

Projected project timeline:

Timeline for key project milestones: Artwork submission deadline: March 1, 2017, 11:59 PM CST Selection committee artwork review complete: April 1, 2017 Artwork inclusion notification: April 8, 2017 Shipping deadline (shipped artwork arrival to Las Vegas): June 1, 2017 Personally transported artworks deadline for arrival in Las Vegas: June 12, 2017 Space installation: June 12 to 14, 2017 Exhibition opening: June 14, 2017 Show close: June 18, 2017 Space takedown: June 19 to June 20, 2017 Return artwork shipment date: June 30, 2017

Questions:

If you have any questions or need additional information do not hesitate to contact us at **info@magicartshow**. com. Indicate **"Inquiry GP Las Vegas Art Exhibition"** in the subject line.

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