



# City of Smyrna

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## Issue Sheet

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**\$ IMPACT:**

**Agenda Title:**

Smyrna Arts Council Artist Recognition for the new City Hall exhibit

***Ward / Citywide***

**ISSUE AND BACKGROUND:**

The Smyrna Arts Council and the City of Smyrna announce a new exhibit of fine art to be displayed in City Hall, on display through January 2023. The exhibit features eight (8) talented local artists, the majority of whom are Smyrna-based:

**Aida Arias** - a Puerto Rican-born contemporary painter and mixed media artist;

**Bihter Alapan** - an embroidery artist;

**Justin Groom & Becca McCoy, as Leafmore Studios** - exhibiting a collaboration of hand-illustrated photography;

**Paula Winter** - a former Cobb County teacher creating unique collage art;

**Carol Vasbinder** - a watercolorist;

**Jason Walesh** - a pop-culture designer and recycled materials collagist; and

**Bill Hunton** - a Smyrna-based fine art and commercial photographer and musician.

Curated by Smyrna Arts Council Vice President Leah Barnes, the Community Art Exhibit in partnership with the City of Smyrna provides an opportunity for local artists to display their work and for residents to gain exposure to art being created within the community. The exhibit is open for viewing during City Hall's normal business hours. Follow Smyrna Arts Council on Facebook and Instagram @smyrnaartscouncil for profiles on the featured artists, glimpses into the exhibit, and to learn about the other events and happenings sponsored by the Council.

**RECOMMENDATION / REQUESTED ACTION:** Smyrna Arts Council Artist  
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