

Beyond Barriers

Art Show

What is the Beyond Barriers Art Show?

In recognition of December 3 as International Day of Persons with Disabilities, The Town of Ajax and Ajax Public Library are proud to host the Beyond Barriers inclusive art show that celebrates creativity, resilience, and diverse perspectives. We invite artists of all ages and abilities to submit their work on the theme of **"The World We Create"**, with priority granted to Ajax residents and individuals who identify as persons with disabilities.

Important Dates:

Artwork/written work drop-off at Main Branch: Tuesday, November 17, 4–8:30 p.m., or Saturday, November 21, 9:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

Work on Display at Main Branch: Tuesday, December 1–Thursday, December 31

Show and Reception: Wednesday, December 2, 6:30–8:30 p.m. at Main Branch

Eligibility:

- 1) Artists must be a person who identifies as having a disability and an Ajax resident, and/or participant/member/volunteer with a disability supporting organization serving the Town of Ajax and/or a caregiver, community support worker, or advocate for the disability community.
- 2) **One piece** of artwork or written work can be submitted per person.
- 3) Artwork must be two-dimensional and can include pen, pencil, crayon, collage, paint, pastels, markers, or any combination of this media.
- 4) **Recommended size of submission is 8.5 x 11"** paper or canvas (preferably in an envelope for its protection). Artwork larger than 8.5" x 11" may be submitted, subject to display availability. For pieces larger than 8.5 x 11", submissions must be framed.
- 5) Work must be submitted in person at Main Branch, along with the completed entry form. Drop-off days are **Tuesday, November 17, 4–8:30 p.m., or Saturday, November 21, 9:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.** Work will not be accepted outside of drop-off days or at other branches.
- 6) The Library assumes no liability for loss, theft or damage of artwork/written work.
- 7) Artwork/written work that is not picked up at the arranged pick up time (early January 2027) will be discarded at the discretion of Ajax Public Library unless alternate arrangements for pickup have been approved by staff.

For more information, visit ajaxlibrary.ca/Art-Shows. To have this document made into an accessible format, contact the Library at events@ajaxlibrary.ca or **905-683-4000**.



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Entry Form:

Please attach this entry form to your work.

Artist's/Writer's Name: _____

Title of Work: _____

Medium: _____

**Parent/Guardian Name
(if under 18 years of age):** _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

Please check all that apply:

- ☐ I identify as a person with a disability.
- ☐ I am a caregiver, community support worker, or advocate for the disability community.
- ☐ I am an Ajax resident and/or participant, member, or volunteer with a disability supporting organization serving the Town of Ajax.

Name of Organization: _____

I have read the Beyond Barriers Art Show entry rules and I understand the policies regarding the contest. By completing and submitting this form, I agree to the use of my art/written work and first name being used in Library promotions.

Signature: _____

Date: _____