



# First Presbyterian

CHURCH OF PORTLAND

## Hope in Every Step: The Immigrant Experience

A Juried Competition with \$1000 in cash awards

**Awards Presented September 13, 2020**

**In-Church Exhibition Postponed until Fall 2021**

First Presbyterian Church

1200 S.W. Alder Street

Portland, Oregon

<https://www.firstpresportland.org/visual-arts>

Invitation and Prospectus  
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**Hope in Every Step** is an exhibition sponsored by the First Presbyterian Church, Portland, Oregon under the supervision of the Visual Arts Committee. First Presbyterian Church is a member of the **7x7** Consortium of 7 art galleries in 7 downtown churches. In the fall of 2021, each gallery will present a different exhibition on the theme of immigration as part of its FOOTPRINTS series of exhibits. **7x7** supports the work of artists and affirms the creative spirit through art exhibitions. All events are free and open to the public.

**Juror Mark Tindle** is himself an immigrant and works as the Gallery Supervisor at the Rental Sales Gallery, Portland Art Museum. A graduate of the prestigious The Queen's College, Oxford University, Mark has worked in the arts, museums and heritage sector for more than 10 years in the US and UK, and has recently served as a juror on a number of shows at RSG. Mark is excited to be the juror for this exhibition, "It

sounds like such a very interesting project. And one that is of great personal relevance to me, as a recent immigrant to the US.”

**Eligibility** Artworks produced using any visual media are eligible. The works should convey aspects of the artist’s personal or community experience as an immigrant. Please include an artist’s statement reflecting on your work that will be included in the final exhibition of your work. Artwork must not weigh over 40 lbs. Artists must be at least 18 years of age. The exhibition will be juried from high resolution jpegs. submitted to [mjrminers@comcast.net](mailto:mjrminers@comcast.net)

**Awards** \$1,000 in cash awards will be distributed among the prize recipients. Artists will receive juror-selected awards on Sunday, September 13 and by mail.

**Insurance** Exhibited artworks will be insured during the in-church exhibition. All costs of insuring artworks while in transport to and from the church must be paid by the artists.

**Accepted Work** must be ‘ready to hang’ i.e., framed, mounted, with hanging wire, or otherwise ready for installation. Works accepted by jpg. image may be withheld from the exhibition if the actual work varies significantly from the jpg. The juror’s decision is final. Work submitted must be available for the exhibition and must remain for the duration of the show.

**Copyright** Artist retains all copyrights to their own images. Artists whose work is chosen for exhibition inclusion grant the First Presbyterian Church permission to use images for promoting the exhibition, artist, or First Presbyterian Church and its programs, and current and past exhibitions. Images may be placed on social media for promotion and features. Artists grant usage as stated without further compensation. Artist’s statement may be reprinted in part or entirely for display next to the artwork.

**Shipment and Return** Due to the Covid Pandemic the in-church Exhibition has been postponed until **September/October, 2021**. Artists will be notified by June 2021 of the exact dates for shipping or hand-delivering artwork to the church. The submission of work to FOOTPRINTS is an agreement on the part of the artists to conditions set forth herein. Submission of an entry constitutes permission to photograph the artwork for education and publicity purposes. Any works sold during the exhibition will incur a **30% commission fee** for First Presbyterian Church. These funds support the many exhibitions presented in the gallery.

**Entry Materials** Please name your jpeg files: Last Name, \_First Initial, \_Image#.jpg (Examples: Smith\_J\_Image1.jpg, Jones\_R\_Image3.jpg) If you need help entering your images or are unable to, please contact Susan Miner at [mjrminers@comcast.net](mailto:mjrminers@comcast.net) or call (503) 274-7024. A maximum of 5 artworks may be entered. Please include with your emailed submission your name, title and medium of the artwork, and dimensions of the art. **Other materials: A one paragraph artist’s statement per entry is requested.** Email your entries to Susan Miner at [mjrminers@comcast.net](mailto:mjrminers@comcast.net).

## Calendar

**Tuesday, September 1, 2020** deadline to email submissions including high resolution jpegs and artist’s statement to [mjrminers@comcast.net](mailto:mjrminers@comcast.net)

**Sunday, September 13** Artists are notified of their awards. Checks to be mailed by Friday, September 11, 2020

**June 2021** Artists notified of dates for art drop off and exhibition details