

# CALL FOR PHOTOGRAPHY

*In the Balance:  
Reflections of our Community During COVID*

*The Co is seeking digital submissions in response to the pandemic,  
to be published as a photo spread in the Dayton Daily News,  
September 2020*

## summary

The Contemporary Dayton, in collaboration with the *Dayton Daily News*, is seeking digital submissions in response to the COVID-19 pandemic for a unique published insert to the September 6, 2020 *Dayton Daily News* Sunday edition. Additionally, selected work will be featured on Dayton.com and The Contemporary Dayton websites and social media. Selected artists will receive a number of print copies for their portfolio and will retain all rights to their images.

## curatorial statement

We live in a strange and complicated moment in history, the likes of which we will, hopefully, never see again during our lifetimes. We have collectively watched the death count due to COVID-19 escalate to alarming heights. We have adjusted our daily routines, livelihoods, and social interactions in various ways to accommodate a new normal. We have witnessed individuals expressing doubts about the pandemic and claims that personal freedoms are at risk. We have observed and likely experienced tremendous loss—with our plans and goals in the foreseeable future, positions of employment, moments of celebration, and most appallingly, the loss of life of those we know, love, and care for.

In our socially-distanced separation, we are mutually adapting as best we can. This call for photographs is an endeavor to examine and share our storied experiences, whether they are negative, positive, or solely neutral observations.

## eligibility

All photographic media is eligible for this submission. Work must be made between March-July of 2020, and be in direct response to experiences, reflections, or events related to the pandemic and living life under quarantine. Applicants must have been Ohio residents at the time the submitted photographs were made. Any individual regardless of age or photographic experience is welcome to submit. The Co and the *Dayton Daily News* reserves the right to use accepted submissions for advertising purposes. All published and displayed photographs will be appropriately credited.

## how to apply

Email Cydnie King, Curatorial Assistant, [cking@thecontemporarydayton.org](mailto:cking@thecontemporarydayton.org) with the following information:

- 1) Name, address, phone number and email contact in the body of the email
- 2) 1-4 images saved with last name and image title as a JPG, TIFF or PSD file. (i.e. King\_Title of Work.jpg) File size should be 1600 pixels on the longest edge and a resolution of 300 ppi.
- 3) Bio (maximum 250 words)
- 4) Short, written statement (maximum 250 words) about your submitted work and how it relates to the theme.

### APPLICATION DEADLINE

Aug 1, 2020

### ARTISTS ANNOUNCEMENT

Aug 21, 2020

### CURATOR

Tracy Longley-Cook, Professor of Photography,  
Wright State University

### APPLICATION FEE

Free

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