

## CALL FOR SUBMISSION: "HUMOR IN CRAFT"

### What's so funny?

People of all ages and cultures respond to humor enthusiastically and craft artwork definitely can be very funny! Often, the work exudes a sense of the absurd due to exaggerated size or by being executed in unusual materials. Craft artwork can be highly ironic, political, sarcastic, or just plain amusing, and it comes in a variety of media, such as metals, wood, fibers, ceramics, glass, mixed media, etc.

Brigitte Martin, creator and editor of the online social network *crafthaus* is working with a US publisher to develop a book about the role humor plays in contemporary craft, and we welcome your submissions in image, text, audio, and video!

We are looking for the following contributions:

- Images of humorous artwork,
- Texts/essays by the contributing artists commenting about humorous aspects in their artwork,
- Audio art,
- Video art (the book will contain a CD of audio/video art depending on qualifying submissions),
- Essays by writers from a variety of backgrounds about the role of humor and fun in craft.

Can you show us humor in all its shades expressed through craft artwork and text? Who decides what's funny and what isn't? What topics are off-limits? Is irony funny? Sarcasm? Are politics funny? Religion?

This book aims to provide the viewer with entertainment, commentary, and of course, many fine craft pieces by makers from all over the world. Humor has no borders. Or does it? It might be interesting to learn how a piece will be hilarious in China, but only garner mild astonishment in Sweden and vice versa.

This call is open to craft artists working in all media. International entries are particularly welcome and encouraged! The book is scheduled to be on the market in 2012.

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**Artists:** To submit your work for initial consideration, please email:

- Low resolution image(s),
- Information regarding media, measurements,
- Brief blurb about the role humor plays in your work, and/or your views on the topic of "Humor in Craft"

- **Audio/Video artists:** Please email an excerpt of your piece, or a link to where it is posted, or direct me to a website where your work can be heard/seen.

- Information regarding media,
- Brief blurb about the role humor plays in your work, and/or your views on the topic of "Humor in Craft"

- **Writers:**

Please submit a brief outline on your proposed essay topic, as well as some information about you via email.

**Email: [humorincraft@yahoo.com](mailto:humorincraft@yahoo.com)**

Once selected for inclusion, artists will receive detailed information about the image requirements for printing, as well as other pertinent information and a deadline for final submission.

Image requirements for eventual inclusion in book:

Be prepared to submit your photos at 300 dpi and sized 15 x 10 inches!

Format: tiff or jpg

AdobeRGB1998 preferred but not necessary

Pixel count for a 9 x 7 image is: 3500 x 2800 pixels