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**Edmonds ARTSplash 2021:
Multiple Artists at Summer Art Show
July 17th & 18th 10am - 5pm
At 2nd and Dayton Streets in Edmonds**

Edmonds, WA, June 2021 – With so many art events cancelled last year due to COVID-19, this year's art season is especially exciting and meaningful to local artists and art lovers. The Edmonds-based ArtistsConnect group is holding its ARTSplash 2021 show Saturday and Sunday, July 17 and 18 from 10am to 5pm at the Artworks building at 201 Dayton Street in downtown Edmonds, WA. Located one block from the Edmonds ferry terminal, the site offers free parking.

ARTSplash features eleven local artists displaying diverse art. Artwork for sale includes original oil, acrylic and watercolor paintings, art prints, underwater and nature photography, hand-made purses, jewelry, sculpture, collages, wearables, monoprint books, and art cards.

“Like so many organizations, we've been meeting on Zoom for the last year. We're thrilled to have a live event and we invite the community to come out in support of the local art that is key to the vitality of our community.” said Johanne Friedrichs, ARTSplash exhibitor. The Edmonds community is recognized for its outstanding artists and for nurturing the arts.

“Art is inspiring, brings people together in their appreciation of it, and has cultural impact,” said Melissa Wadsworth, event registrar. Each ARTSplash artist will auction a piece of art, with proceeds supporting the Edmonds Art Festival Foundation's (EAFF) educational programs. In addition, a portion of each regular sale goes to the Edmonds Art Festival's support of Artworks.

According to organizers, they are maintaining mindfulness about keeping the community healthy and will follow WA state guidelines for mask wearing and social distancing. The Artworks building has roll up front walls that provide good ventilation to the space. The site has two bathrooms for easy hand washing, and there will be a hand-sanitizer station. A Plexiglas shield protects the cashier and patrons as they pay for art purchases and the laptop computers will be wiped down between uses. The ARTSplash group also has a sanitation team ensuring that cleanliness is attended to so that all visitors can enjoy themselves and be comfortable at the venue.

ArtistsConnect Edmonds is a no-fee art group that meets the 4th Saturday of each month from 10am-12pm, at Artworks. ArtistsConnect enables local artists to network, while learning techniques and resource information about diverse creative media from oil, acrylic and watercolor painting, to photography, collage, textiles, and hand-bound books. Members come from Edmonds, Kirkland, Bothell, Snohomish, Shoreline, Seattle, Everett, Mill Creek and other communities. **For more information:** www.artists-connect.com or <https://www.facebook.com/ArtistsConnect-Edmonds-158265994223678/>

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