

# In the Belly of the Beast

## JUROR: Cynthia Shaffer

The soul of a beast exposed. The sheer power of entities not made by man that humble humanity into feeling small. This exhibit will reveal the essence of the organic: plants, animals, water, earth, sky, fire. Not in the safe, controllable way people see them, but instead showing the dynamic strength and ungovernable temperament that they truly possess.

Selected art will focus on Mother Earth in an unaccustomed way. Work may also express the contradiction of what is man-made versus wild. All media accepted; no size restrictions.

This exhibition is juried by Cynthia Shaffer, who built her art career in New York, Chicago and Phoenix before moving to Pittsburgh in 1990. She currently divides her time between henna tattooing, teaching art, taking photographs of animals at the Butler County Humane Society, volunteering at the ARL Wildlife Center, and working on her own art. Using bones, dead bugs, stones, feathers and other natural elements, Shaffer creates intricate patterns and mandala designs that juxtapose these components. Her objective is to show the beauty in things most people find repellent. "The color of a Japanese beetle is more exquisite than I can paint. The curve of a pelvic bone is more graceful than I can design. It fascinates me."

### PLEASE SEND:

1. completed entry form
2. \$20 (non-refundable) entry fee for up to 3 entries (payable to Sweetwater)
3. digital images (up to 3 images)

**MAIL TO:** Please label your images as: YOUR INITIALS.TITLE.ENTRY1  
Sweetwater Center for the Arts YOUR INITIALS.TITLE.ENTRY2  
200 Broad Street YOUR INITIALS.TITLE.ENTRY3  
Sewickley PA, 15143

**OR EMAIL TO:**  
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## CALENDAR:

ENTRY DEADLINE  
*May 4, 2012*

EXHIBITION DATES  
*June 30– July 28, 2012*

ARTISTS' RECEPTION  
*June 30, 2012*  
*from 7:00-9:00 p.m.*

ARTIST NOTIFICATION  
*May 14, 2012*

DROP OFF DEADLINE  
*June 25 & 26, 2012*

PICK UP DEADLINE  
*July 30 & 31, 2012*



## ENTRY FORM

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