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Call for Art: In Union, Remotely

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Shaker Museum | Mount Lebanon invites the public to participate in a community engagement project, “Call for Art: In Union, Remotely,” with artwork which may be submitted in a variety of mediums. All submissions should draw inspiration from the Shakers’ values or way of life, which the participants can learn more about in the [Shaker Museum’s comprehensive online collection](#). Artists of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities are encouraged to submit clear digital images of their work by midnight on July 15, 2020. The submissions will be displayed online through the museum’s social media channels from July 20, 2020 - December 31, 2020. Submissions must be emailed to sharding@shakerml.org with the subject heading, IN UNION, REMOTELY. Registration is immediately available [here](#). Anyone with special needs which seem an obstacle to participation may contact our Membership and Program Coordinator, Susie Harding, at sharding@shakerml.org for assistance.



Registration ahead of submission is encouraged. Registered participants will receive special assistance in exploring the online collection, access to suggested readings, and invitations to ZOOM events to meet other artists to share inspiration and camaraderie. Visual artist [Caitlin McBride](#) and sound artist [Sarah Van Buren](#) will take part in a Zoom event on May 14 at 7:00 PM to talk about how the Shakers inspired their artistic processes. Shaker Museum docent Liz Poreba will be available to answer questions about Shaker history at a Zoom gathering on June 10 at 7:00 PM.

Shaker Museum | Mount Lebanon is dedicated to preserving the history of the Shakers, including their furniture and architecture as well as their values of inclusion, innovation, integrity, and conviction. The museum stewards the historic site in New Lebanon, New York and has a campus in Old Chatham, New York, which is open year-round by appointment, where the administrative offices, collections, library, and archives are housed. The museum’s collection of over 16,000 Shaker items is the most comprehensive collection of its kind in the world and may be viewed online at www.shakerml.org.