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## **Art Show for Urban Mission's First Annual Art for Recovery Contest**

WATERTOWN (September 10, 2020) – The weather is cooling and soon the colors of fall will be upon us in the North Country. What a better way to open a new season than with the First Annual Art for Recovery Contest Art Show! For the last few weeks, the public was asked to create an original work of art that answered a heavy question: What does recovery look like? The deadline was here before we knew it, with local artists providing 17 different perspectives of recovery.

Urban Mission will open the Recovery Art Contest Art Show on Saturday, September 12, 2020. Community members are welcome to vote on this day at Urban Mission, located at 247 Factory Street, between 10 AM and 2 PM. Each voter will be entered to win a basket of art supplies, provided by partner agencies Anchor Recovery Center and CREDO Community Center. Online voting for the Art Contest will open on the Urban Mission Facebook page on Sunday, September 13, 2020 and will continue through noon on Wednesday, September 16, 2020. Those who wish to view the original works and vote in person may visit the Mission Monday through Wednesday from 9 AM – 12 PM.

Participants in the contest are 18 and older. The winner of the contest will be announced on Friday, September 18, 2020 and will receive a \$250 Visa gift card, along with the opportunity to have their original artwork featured on promotional items for the Bridge Program at Urban Mission. The Bridge Program assists those who are struggling with substance abuse through one-on-one coaching and connecting to other resources to aid in the recovery process. Each year, Urban Mission hosts a Run for Recovery to bring awareness to the community, as well as raise funds for the Bridge Program. The Run was cancelled this year due to COVID-19. Urban Mission hopes the Art for Recovery Contest will continue in years to come.

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