



RECYCLE SANTA FE ART FESTIVAL

Santa Fe Community Convention Center - SANTA FE, NM

DECEMBER 2-4, 2016

2016 Event Information

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Recycle Santa Fe Launches Emerging Artist Program

The country's largest and oldest recycled art market, Recycle Santa Fe Art Festival, is expanding its program this year to support youth artists. The emerging artist program links youth with established festival artists to mentor their artistry with guidance on the use of recycled materials, exhibiting best practices and art sales skills. The program seeks to offer up to three complimentary youth artist booths to the selected artists. By working with youth, Recycle Santa Fe expands the economic development aspects of the art market, while supporting the cultivation and growth of these artists.

Recycle Santa Fe is dedicated to showcasing art created from discarded materials and will take place December 2-4 at the Santa Fe Convention Center. The weekend-long event is celebrating its 18th year and kicks off with Friday night's famous Trash Fashion and Costume Contest, then continues with an inspiring art market, student juried art exhibits, and make and take art activities.

The emerging artists will join the ranks of the almost 100 current recycled artists that come in from all around New Mexico and surrounding Western states. Many of these artists make their living solely from their recycled artistry. The emerging artist program will host workshops, in addition to the mentorship guidance, that will assist the young entrepreneurs on best practices to market their recycled creations. In a city that is known around the world for its arts community, supporting youth that have an interest in uniting their interest in art and recycled materials to learn aspects of the trade will help ensure a livelihood selling their designs and art pieces.

The new project expands upon the existing juried youth art exhibit that involved more than 250 students from 13 schools last year. Students create art using recycled materials as a classroom project, often as the culmination of lessons regarding solid waste and recycling in our society.

The Recycle Santa Fe Art Market has always been designed as a family friendly event where children and adults of all ages find avenues to participate, be it the Friday night Trash Fashion and Costume Contest that is open to children and adults as contestants or setting aside some time at the Recycled Art Make and Take corner, where recycled materials and art supplies are offered to all for creating.

All art consists of a minimum of 75% recycled materials. Artists successfully upcycle trash into treasure, combining recycling and innovation to show creative ways to save our resources, while making unique art. The event demonstrates the resourcefulness of the artists and has grown into a powerful economic development tool for existing and emerging artists.

Emerging artists age 18 and under can apply up to November 15 online at www.reyclesantafe.org.

Friday general admission (purchased at the door) \$5 and under 12 are free. The Friday night Trash Fashion and Costume Contest is at 7pm, tickets for the show and general admission are \$15-20 and may be purchased ahead of time (after October 17th) at www.ticketssantafe.org or by calling 505-988-1234. Admission is free on Saturday and Sunday. The event is hosted by the newly formed non-profit entity Recycled Art Alliance, in partnership with Keep Santa Fe Beautiful. More information can be found at www.recyclesantafe.org

2016 Recycle Santa Fe Art Festival

Santa Fe Community Convention Center, 201 W. Marcy Street (Downtown Santa Fe)

Friday, December 2: 5 PM to 9 PM

Saturday, December 3: 9 AM to 5 PM

Sunday, December 4: 10 AM to 5 PM