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**Summit Artspace news in this release:**

- Gallery is looking for fresh, new art with a **SPOOKY** theme
- Artworks for consideration due **September 23**
- **\$1,000 in prize money to be awarded**

## Call to Tri-County Artists for **HAUNTED** Art

(Akron, OH) – “Fresh & Spooky” is the new title and theme for Summit Artspace Gallery’s fourth annual juried exhibition offering significant cash awards to local artists. The gallery is looking for works of art that are unearthly, ghostly, mysterious, weird and uncanny. (No guts, gore or chainsaws, please.)

OMNOVA Solutions Foundation has underwritten three top-place prizes of \$500, \$300 and \$200. Selected works will be on display at the downtown Akron gallery from October 3 to November 8.

Artworks for consideration must be delivered to Summit Artspace Tuesday, September 23 from noon to 7 pm. Pieces must be “fresh,” which means created in 2007 or 2008. All types of media – paint, ceramics, photography, glass, metal, mixed -- are encouraged, as well as two and three dimensional art. There is a \$10 entrance fee.

Artists, who live, work or attend universities in Summit, Portage and Medina Counties are eligible. Interested artists can request an application with details by calling the Akron Area Arts Alliance at 330-376-8480 or online at [www.summitartspace.org](http://www.summitartspace.org). Only one entry per artist will be considered.

The exhibition’s guest juror is artist Mark Soppeland, who will also hang the show. He warns that works selected will be displayed in unorthodox ways to enhance the spooky theme. “It may take on the appearance of an exhibition installed by poltergeists,” Soppeland said. Distinguished Professor of Art at the University of Akron, Soppeland’s paintings and sculpture have been shown in over 300 solo and group exhibitions on four continents.