

unite to light

Open Call for Artists

UNITE TO LIGHT THE NIGHT ART EXHIBITION & FUNDRAISER

LET'S LIGHT THE NIGHT

Over a billion people live without electricity, struggling in darkness after sunset, being poisoned at night by kerosene fumes, spending meager resources on fuel instead of better nutrition and healthcare. That darkness brings illiteracy, poverty and illness. At Unite to Light, our mission is to light the world. Our solar lights and chargers help children study at night, equip healthcare workers to save lives, offer relief from disasters, and enable connection to vital services for those experiencing homelessness.

Unite to Light invites supporters, artists and art lovers, and the Central Coast community at large to celebrate the power of light. We invite creative works that evoke this theme and showcase light as not only an essential aspect of life, but also a creative medium.



DATES & CRITERIA

Exhibit Dates: October 6th - October 8th, 2022

Event Website: [Click here](#)

Application Deadline: July 1, 2022

Eligibility: The exhibition is open to all artists over the age of 18. Any medium is accepted. Submission could be a concept for a new piece of work, or work that has already been completed and previously exhibited.

Discipline: All visual media are welcome - light installations, lightmapping, sculptures, paintings, photography, and mixed media.

Theme: The power of light is the basis of our event and the exhibit. Additional considerations for works that also highlight our core program areas; Education, Global Health, Climate Change, Homelessness and Disaster Relief.

Material Budget: Applicants may be eligible for sponsorship grants of up to \$1,000 to create new pieces of work to cover materials, equipment rental, etc. Grant request is included in the application form linked below. Artists are responsible for making arrangements for shipping and delivery to and from the venue.

Art Sale: Artists may choose to put their works up for sale at the event. Unite to Light will receive a commission of 30% from the sale price.



APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

[CLICK TO APPLY HERE](#)

One form per artwork submission. Multiple applications per artist are welcome.

Application deadline is July 1, 2022

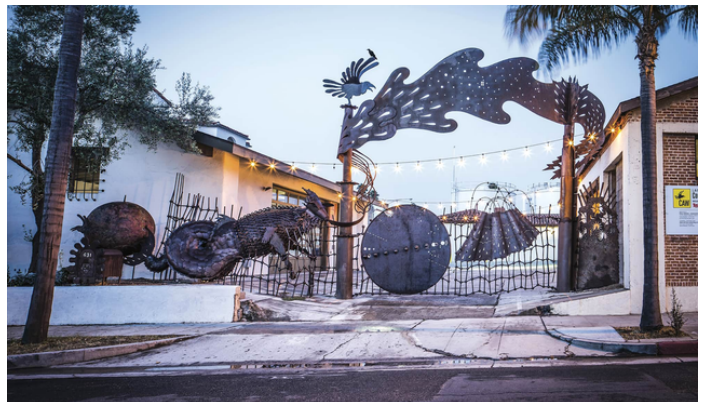
Decisions will be announced by August 1, 2022. Only chosen applications will be contacted.

NIGHTLY PROGRAMMING & SETUP

Set up	Wednesday, October 5th	8 am - 10 pm
VIP Gala Dinner	Thursday, October 6th	6 pm - 9:30 pm
Cocktail Party	Friday, October 7th	6 pm - 9:30 pm
Public Showcase	Saturday, October 8th	6 pm - 9:30 pm

EXHIBIT SPACE & EVENT VENUE

The Community Arts Workshop is a project of the Santa Barbara Arts Collaborative, a nonprofit committed to sustaining and growing all forms of the arts in Santa Barbara. The space is a "blank canvas". Art works can be displayed inside one of the three indoor spaces. Larger installations can be displayed outside in the courtyard. Visit CAW website for more info: <https://www.sbcaw.org/use>



ABOUT UNITE TO LIGHT

Unite to Light is an organization in Santa Barbara dedicated to providing low-cost solar lights and solar chargers to those living without electricity across the globe. We are the only not-for-profit 501(c)3 that designs and manufactures our own efficient, durable, and low cost solar lights and chargers, and we distribute them internationally, supporting people in 78 countries.

Unite to Light was founded in 2011 by Dr. John Bowers, head of the Institute for Energy Efficiency at the UCSB. Dr Bowers and the UCSB Engineers Without Borders student group designed our Luke Light. Luke Light is a waterproof, durable task light with high battery capacity providing hours of night light. In 2018 we added the Chandler Charger to our product offerings; it is designed to charge phones and other small electronic devices using sun-generated battery power.

