Insects have inspired artists for centuries. In fact, some of the earliest human art features insects. In celebration of the creativity sparked through the insect world, and to demonstrate the creative talents of regional artisans, Geauga Park District invites you to participate in a 10-week community art exhibition of artwork inspired by insects and arachnids in all media.

Opening Reception & Exhibit Dates
Exhibit opens with an artists’ reception on Saturday, February 13, from 2-4 PM. Artists are encouraged to attend. Exhibit will be on display from Saturday, February 13, 2021, to Monday, April 26, 2021, at The West Woods Nature Center, 9465 Kinsman Road (Rt.87) in Russell Township. Show hours: 10 AM – 4:30 PM daily.

Criteria for Entries
1. Entries must be inspired by insects or arachnids.
2. Entries must include all installation hardware and be ready to hang/display.
3. Please contact Geauga Park District if project is larger than 4’ square and weighs more than 200 lbs. Special arrangements for handling/display must be considered.
4. A limit of 5 entries accepted per artist. Additionally, up to 10 pieces of artwork will be accepted for cash-and-carry sales in the Buzz Boutique. Forms are available at drop-off for artists wishing to create jewelry and small art pieces valued under $40. Artists may also request forms by emailing trunion@geaugaparkdistrict.org

Drop-off/Pickup Dates
Artwork may be dropped off at The West Woods Nature Center, 9465 Kinsman Road (Rt.87) in Russell Township, on the following dates:

- Wednesday, January 27, 2021 – 10 AM to 4 PM
- Thursday, January 28, 2021 – Noon to 7 PM

All artwork must remain on display for the duration of the exhibit. Please pick up unsold artwork April 27-29 – 10 AM to 4:30 PM.

Need more information? Contact Teresa Runion, special events coordinator, at 440-279-0882 or trunion@geaugaparkdistrict.org

Sale of Artwork
Sale of artwork is permitted, with Geauga Park District retaining 20% commission. Checks for artwork sales will be mailed to artists within 30 days after the exhibition closes. Pieces sold must remain on display throughout the duration of the exhibit. (Exception: Buzz Boutique inventory)

Sale of artwork may be taken for publicity purposes. Geauga Park District reserves the right to refuse entries that are deemed inappropriate. Religious/political-themed artwork will not be accepted. Loaned material will be kept in a public building that is locked at night and has an alarm. All reasonable caution will be taken when handling artwork. The lender/artist assumes risk of damage or destruction by fire, smoke, water, theft, vandalism, etc. when loaning material to Geauga Park District.

People's Choice Awards will be selected by visitor ballots through April 15. Ballots will be tabulated on April 16, after which ribbons will be awarded.