

Mental Health Consumers, Family and Community Members of All Ages  
You are invited to participate in and attend the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual

# John J. Benoit

## Behavioral Health Arts Festival

### Art Show & Creative Writing Contest

A Free Community Event that supports the talents of Local Artists living with mental health diagnoses by showcasing their amazing Poetry and Art. Enjoy paintings, drawings, sculptures, jewelry, and lots of Door Prizes in celebration of May is Mental Health Month!

**Tuesday, May 8, 2018**

**11 AM to 3 PM**

**Taj Mahal Building, Riverside County Fairgrounds**

82-503 Hwy 111, Indio, California 92201

Enter at **Gate 4** off of Arabia Street



Awards: Grand Prize \$50, 1<sup>st</sup> Place \$30, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$25, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$20, 4<sup>th</sup> Place \$15, 5<sup>th</sup> Place \$15

*You must be present or have a designated representative present to receive Contest Awards.*

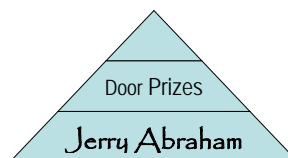


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#### **Exhibitor/Contest Rules:**



**Artists** Please bring your art (maximum 3 pieces) to the Taj Mahal Building from 11AM to 3PM on Friday May 4.

**All Artwork must be turned in by 3PM May 4.** Artwork brought in after Friday will not be accepted. An Artwork Registration Form must be attached to each piece. Forms are available at The Path, the Clinics and Peer Centers, and by e-mail request to [JLQMD@att.net](mailto:JLQMD@att.net) with subject line "Art Show Registration Form". Forms will be available at the Taj on May 4. Please have all artwork taken from the Taj Mahal immediately after the Art Show ends on May 8. **Artwork may be sold/purchased at the Show with direct payment to the Artist.**

**Authors** Writing entries may be submitted by e-mail beginning Monday April 16 with the **DEADLINE for submissions at midnight Thursday April 26, 2018.** All writing **MUST be submitted by email** and does NOT need a registration form. All submissions will receive a return e-mail within 24-48 hours. If you do not receive a response please check the e-mail address and make sure your subject line says "Creative Writing Contest". Each writing entry must include the following information: 1) a title, 2) your first and last name and contact information, 3) Your Representatives name if you are not attending. *Art or Writing with violent themes will not be displayed.*

**E-MAIL to: JLQMD@att.net** with subject line "**Creative Writing Contest**".

**In Person:** On or before Thursday April 26 you can hand in submissions to Amber Duffle at the Mental Health Adult Services Clinic, 47-825 Oasis Street, Indio, 92201.