

**Artful Rx: Artful Dimensions Gallery will be sponsoring a special Show/
Fundraiser in March for artist Colleen McElfresh.**

Dear Artist Friends,

Colleen, a founding Board Member at Artful Dimensions, dear friend and wonderful glass artist, suffered a brain bleed right before this past Christmas. She is recovering and soon will be facing major brain surgery to repair the cause of the bleed, an AVM.

Colleen is not only a board member of Artful Dimensions Gallery, but she is also the owner of Bluebird Glass Studio in Stafford and has been a huge supporter of the arts in our public schools for years. Many times a year she packs up her portable glass studio and travels to the schools to teach the children to create their own piece of fused glass.

As you can imagine, Colleen will not be able to work while she is recuperating from her serious brain injury and future surgery and is therefore in need of our support to help cover her medical costs, which are/will be great. To try to help Colleen, we are asking you, the members of our local arts community for your kind donations of art pieces worth at least \$75, in both 2d and 3d categories.

On First Friday in March we will sell tickets at \$75 each and on the last Friday of March each ticket holder will get to choose their work of art to take home. We are designing this fundraiser based on the great success that Liberty Town and the Art League in Alexandria have had with their Patrons' Shows.

If you are able to kindly help with an art donation, please bring it by Artful Dimensions Gallery between the hours of 12 and 6 pm any day but Mondays. We need to have all of the art in hand by 6pm on February 26th.

The Fredericksburg Arts Community has done this many times before and we hope that once again our community will rally round in support of one of its own beloved artists.

Please help us to spread the word about our efforts- either by donating art OR by coming to the Gallery during March to purchase tickets!!