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**HERMITAGE HOLDS JURIED EXHIBITION OF ARTIST EDUCATOR'S WORK:
TIDEWATER VIRGINIA ART EDUCATION ASSOCIATION EXHIBITION**

Norfolk, VA- The Hermitage Museum & Gardens will hold the Tidewater Virginia Art Education Association juried exhibition September 26th through October 31st, with a free public opening reception September 25th, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

The TVAEA is the regional arm of the Virginia and National Art Education Associations, professional organizations representing art educators across the state and country. TVAEA aims to promote visual arts advocacy efforts in communities across the United States, ensure students of the opportunity to become visually perceptive through programs offered in their schools, to establish a unit of arts credit requirement for graduation, and to offer art educators opportunities for professional growth as teachers and artists by sponsoring national conventions, state conferences, regional workshops, seminars and art exhibitions. Although there are numerous demands and tasks for today's art educators, the members of TVAEA also have a desire to express their creativity not only for themselves, but also for the enjoyment of others.

For more information on the TVAEA juried exhibition, contact Caitlin Smith, Public Programs Manager, at 757-423-2052 ext. 207, or cs@thfm.org.

The Hermitage offers 45-minute guided tours, on the hour, of fifteen galleries filled with the Sloane family world-wide art collection, furniture, and history. The Visual Arts School houses classrooms, a complete ceramics studio, and darkroom photography facilities. Open daily 10-5, Sundays 1-5-closed Wednesdays. Free for Museum Members, children under 6, and Active Duty military. Admission: \$5 for Adults, \$2 for ages 6-18, and \$3 for students. For more information on the museum and membership offerings call 757-423-2052 or visit www.thfm.org.

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