

Brushes with Cancer Overview and FAQs

****What is Brushes with Cancer?***

Brushes with Cancer is a unique and transformative program sponsored by [Twist Out Cancer](#) that pairs artists with individuals touched by cancer to create meaningful pieces of art that reflect their journey, emotions, and experiences. Through this collaborative process, Brushes with Cancer aims to provide healing, support, and empowerment to both the artist and the individual affected by cancer.

****How Does it Work?***

1. ****Matching:*** Cancer survivors, previvors, caregivers and supporters (*Inspirations*), are matched with artists based on their personal stories, experiences, and interests.
2. ****Artistic Collaboration:*** The matched pairs connect over a period of time and the artist creates a work of art reflective of the Inspiration's journey with cancer.
3. ****Exhibition:*** The completed artworks are showcased in an exhibition where participants and the public can view, appreciate, and celebrate the artistic expressions and stories behind each piece.

****Why Brushes with Cancer?***

- ****Empowerment:*** Provides a platform for individuals touched by cancer to express themselves creatively and share their stories.
- ****Community Building:*** Fosters connections and support networks between individuals impacted by cancer and the artistic community.
- ****Awareness:*** Raises awareness about the diverse experiences of those affected by cancer and the power of art as a form of healing and communication.

****FAQs****

****1. Who can participate in Brushes with Cancer? ****

- Brushes with Cancer is open to individuals touched by cancer who are interested in sharing their story and artists who are interested in giving back.

****2. How are participants matched? ****

- Participants are matched based on their personal stories, experiences, and interests, with careful consideration given to creating meaningful connections.

****3. Is artistic experience necessary for Inspirations? ****

- No prior artistic experience is required. Participants are encouraged to bring their personal stories and perspectives, and artists are skilled in translating these into meaningful artwork.

****4. How long does the artistic collaboration process last? ****

- The length of the collaboration varies depending on the preferences and availability of the participants. It typically spans 4-6 months.

****5. Where are the exhibitions held? ****

- Exhibitions are held in various locations, including art galleries and event spaces, to ensure accessibility to participants and the public.

****6. How can I get involved? ****

- If you're interested in participating as an Inspiration or artist you can visit our website or reach out directly for more information on how to get involved.

****7. Is there a cost to participate? ****

- Brushes with Cancer is a nonprofit program, and participation is free for all participants. Donations and sponsorships are utilized to support the program's continued growth and impact.

****8. How can I support Brushes with Cancer? ****

- You can support Brushes with Cancer by attending exhibitions, spreading the word about the program, volunteering your time or skills, or making a donation to support our work. All proceeds from the program/auction sustain Twist Out Cancer free and public programs.

****9. What is the role of the Artist?****

The Brushes with Cancer artists play a pivotal role in the program, acting as catalysts for healing and empowerment through their creative expressions. These talented individuals bring their unique perspectives and artistic visions to the forefront, collaborating closely with the inspirations to translate their journeys into works of art. With compassion and sensitivity, the artists skillfully navigate the complexities of each participant's experience, channeling emotions and narratives into powerful visual representations. Beyond simply creating art, they serve as empathetic listeners, offering support, encouragement, and a sense of solidarity throughout the creative process. Through their dedication and profound artistic contributions, Brushes with Cancer artists not only help participants find solace and catharsis but also foster a community of resilience and hope.

****10. What happens with the artwork?****

The artwork is exhibited and auctioned at the end of the program. The funds raised go directly back into the program so that more inspirations and artists can participate in this transformational program.

****Get in Touch****

For more information about Brushes with Cancer and how to get involved, visit our [website](#).