

Where in the world did this idea come from?

Well, I am making a step towards one of my goals, to have my art on the cover of a magazine. My intentions are to some day be covered by (Art Forum) <http://artforum.com>, and when I realized that I could use my talents to make my own magazine I could think of no better way to spread out the positive energy! A friend (Steve Stone) showed me the site MagCloud, and off my imagination went, and landed here. And now I put my hand out to you for help and collaboration.

Currently I am looking for:

My friends to get involved! Hence why I am sending this to you! For sure volumes I wouldn't mind spreading it out to friends-of-friends, but part of my inspiration for this was to give the creative people I know a chance to get published and to be a part of the process.

These are a few of the types of people I am looking for:

Artists to showcase their work, 1-3 pages content, it can include a bio, images, written word, etc.....

Writers - do you love to write about art, do you love to critique art? Let me know I would love to hear what you have to say

Critics - (in relation to above) do you love to talk about art, specifically critique it, If you have some credentials then you could be a fantastic contribution to this project!!

Do you think you can contribute in another way? Let me know!!! For example I will need someone to help me edit and proof content (2 sets of eyes are better than one!)

What's in it for you?

Well, simply put, a chance to get your voice/art out there. Everyone is on the internet these days, and we will be too - but nothing can replace the experience of holding something in front of you and being able to show someone a page in a magazine. We also don't know how well the internet will archive 50 yrs from now, but we know a magazine will still be around. I want to be published, so I am making it happen, and I want to be able to share it with my immediate inspirers and coconspirators.

To start off, the magazine will be published through a website called MagCloud. <http://magcloud.com> The price will be based on how many pages we make it, Magcloud only charges \$.20 a page - and we are then allowed to charge extra on the site for profit. (if we have any profit I would love to put it towards the website, promotion and buying extra copies to hand out.) So if we have a magazine with enough content for 20 pages, then the cost of each issue is only \$4. MagCloud allows you to buy in bulk and the shipping costs are really good!, Oh - and the best part - NO minimum! You can just buy one - and keep it for yourself! Anyone can buy the magazine and you can also promote it through your sites as well.

What do I do with the magazine?

When I think of how to use this magazine, first I will make sure all of my family buys one! (you know they will!!!) Second, I may pick up a few extra copies to leave at various places where it may get read..... for example my office..... school.....dance studio...gallery.....etc... and if everyone who contributes does that, then all of our work will be seen by many.

For anyone who contributes, you have the full reign of promoting yourself, and I want to involve as much of the arts as there is a desire for it. So consider this a way for you to put yourself in someone's hands and they can pass you along as they see fit.

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If you are an artist or have a love for the arts, then help me make this a reality. I am looking for enthusiastic people to help with the creation and content for the magazine. Please read the following and let me know if and how you would like to contribute. Email me at kellijean@absorbfineart.com and let me know your thoughts!
A Magazine for the Artists I Know and Love

What will the content be?

I picked up a few magazines that were great for ideas, I encourage you to take a look.....

<http://www.bluecanvas.com/> I picked this up at Books a Million in Delray.... I love the layout, the simplicity, the way they showcase the artists - and anyone can apply!!! You bet I am going to create a page on their site!

<http://www.artltdmag.com/> I really like this magazine for the layout of the content, including the articles.

There are many many many art magazine out there, and one of my pet peeves is knowing the difference between the articles and the advertisements. I think it is okay yo have advertisers, but I also want the artists in ABSORB to stand out!

Currently I have the following ideas for sections in the magazine:

Artists: The meat of the mag! Images of your work. Including, but not limited to the following: Drawing, Painting, Sculpture, Photography, Performance, Written word (poetry, short stories, creative writing of all types!), Digital Design (all fine arts apply here - if you have one not mentioned let me know!)

Contributors page: A place for the bios of the people who contributed content - we need a way for people to know who you are and contact you (if you choose)

Reviews: If you have something to say about art, an artist, or you want to critique your own work - this is the place.

News: Is there an art related event you are going to be involved in? Tell everyone - put it on paper and make sure your grandkids have evidence of your passion for art!

Video: as it does not work so well for a magazine - I would love to use the site to promote your creative video projects and animations.....

What is the future of ABSORB Fine Art?

Nothing is set in stone, this can become something large, we may be able to get sponsors and sell ad space and have a larger publisher, it all depends on who wants to contribute and be a part of this, and how that goes. For now, I am simply excited to put together a magazine with my creative friends and promoting the arts around me. The future will write itself.

I'm interested! When do we start?!

Well, now! - Contact me and let me know how you can be a part of this. Email me : kellijean@absorbfineart.com - or get in touch with me through Facebook: www.facebook.com/kellijean

ABSORB Fine Art

A magazine that celebrates you, the artist, and gives you the opportunity to put your expression in print.

(I am still working on a mission statement - I am open to suggestions....)

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(Dare I say... from the Editor?!!!)
thank you so much for your time!!
- Kellijean Press

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