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Hello, Artists!

We are very excited to announce Will'n in Weslaco's 6<sup>th</sup> annual Shakespeare Festival will take place March 29<sup>th</sup> to April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025. This year we will celebrate Shakespeare's *The Comedy of Errors*! Our 2025 festival will once again start with an art exhibition at the Weslaco Museum showcasing the talents of local amateur and professional artists.

Submissions will be received at the Weslaco Museum from March 18<sup>th</sup> through the 26<sup>th</sup>, and artwork will be on display (and for sale!) throughout the month of April. We invite you to start planning your artistic tribute to *The Comedy of Errors*.

Artists are encouraged to be creative, but submissions *must* celebrate an aspect of this year's play, such as:

- Themes like comedy, duality, and slapstick; the problems of (mis)understanding and self-knowledge; appearance vs. reality; the city vs. the family; law vs. mercy; imperfect but triumphant love
- Images or scenes like the shipwreck (1.1); mistaken identity; the scales of justice frame the play; locked out of one's own home in the door scene (3.1); Ancient Greece and the famous city of Ephesus, an Abbey and inns called Centaur and Phoenix
- Characteristic Characters: two sets of twins!!
- Besides this play's famous titular line:
  - "I to the world am like a drop of water" (1.2)
  - "Am I in earth, in heaven, or in hell?" (2.2)
  - "And now let's go hand in hand, not one before another." (5.1)
  - For more iconic lines see the [Royal Shakespeare Company](#).

On the exhibition's opening night (March 29<sup>th</sup>), attendees will be able to vote for their favorite submission. This year we will have two categories for the artists:

- Best Digital Design
- Best Original Work: Original work covers other mediums as well (i.e. drawing, sculpture, etc.)
- See <https://willninweslaco.org/art-exhibition-1> for more information

We will be in touch soon regarding further details about the festival and the art exhibition. In the meantime, please contact us regarding questions.

Kindly,

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