

# Return to Sender: Mini-Print Exchange

**PROSPECTUS:** The PRNT Collective in Barrie, Ontario is organizing a mini-print exchange that honours the traditions of printmaking and correspondence via post. Modelled after the size of a postage stamp, each print will be housed in its own glassine stamp-collecting envelope and the completed portfolio will be housed/presented in a traditional stamp presentation sheet (black backing with clear acetate sleeves). In the spirit of “pen-pals” we are reaching out to other collectives across Canada and hope to have a coast-to-coast exchange!

**PARTICIPATING ARTISTS:** Max of 26 - open to printmakers of all experience levels.

**ACCEPTED MEDIA:** Any traditional, editioned printmaking process: Relief, Intaglio, Lithography, Serigraphy/Silkscreen, Collagraph, Letterpress etc. - Digital Printmaking is acceptable only if combined with a traditional printmaking process. (Solely Digital Prints, Photography and Photo Copies will be returned without a refund).

**EDITION SIZE:** 30

30 identical hand-pulled, original prints, signed and numbered (beginning at 1/30 through 30/30) on the provided glassine envelopes.

**PAPER SIZE:** 1.75 by 1.75 inches (44mmx44mm). Printed image size is open; please use archival paper. Prints must fit into 2 by 2 inch provided glassine envelopes.

**EXCHANGE:** A portfolio of prints (one from each participating artist) will be mailed to each participant around **fall of 2019**. PRNT Collective will keep 4 editions for exhibition and fundraising purposes. Participants will be notified when all print exchanges have been shipped.

**FEE:** A fee of \$15 CAD is required to participate in the exchange. This fee will offset the cost of the envelopes, presentation sleeves and mailing costs. Please e-transfer your fee to [prntcollective@gmail.com](mailto:prntcollective@gmail.com) and use the “print exchange name” as your password hint, use “returntosender” as your password. Please email [PRNTcollective@gmail.com](mailto:PRNTcollective@gmail.com) to confirm registration.

**EXHIBITIONS:** It is our intention that the submitted editions will be exhibited regionally in pop-up and traditional galleries, with dates and locations To Be Determined. Artists will be notified of exhibition dates and locations.

**DEADLINE:** we will accept the first 26 applications that submit full payment. If 26 participants are not found, then applications will close on June 1, 2019 and all participants will be notified of the new, reduced edition number. Print editions must be received at PRNT Collective, 25 Hart Drive, Barrie, Ontario, no later than Thursday September 12, 2019.

**IMPORTANT:** All prints must conform to the guidelines. Any prints that do not fit the guidelines will be returned to the sender.

