

Be a “Rain Barrel Road Show” Artist

The Van Buren Conservation District is searching for artists to paint a rain barrel for the first ever “Rain Barrel Road Show”

Artists are asked to donate their time, talent, and paint to help the Van Buren Conservation District create awareness of polluted water runoff, water quality and water conservation by creating a beautiful work of art on a functional rain barrel.

Artists will be given a primed, reused 55-gallon drum to paint their work of art (with their own design, style and inspiration) and will have a month to complete it and return to the Van Buren Conservation District office (we suggest artists use acrylic or spray paint; no markers and no attaching items or stickers which tend to fade, peel or fall off).

Artists will be encouraged to write a half a page biography, with or without picture, including what the inspiration was for their rain barrel design (bios can be sent to alison.brucks@mi.nacdnet.net).

Rain barrels will be displayed around Van Buren County at participating restaurants and businesses. Artist’s biographies and information on water quality, conservation and rain barrels will be displayed along with the barrels.

Media & Advertisements: Artists agree to allow Van Buren Conservation District to display their name, bio, and artwork on the VBCD website, other partner websites, the “Rain Barrel Road Show” map that will be made available to the public and any flyers, advertisements and media releases.

After the “Rain Barrel Road Show” the painted rain barrels will be available for sale to the public in an online auction where profits will go to the Van Buren Conservation District to further our education and outreach efforts for water quality and conservation.

Estimated Timeline:

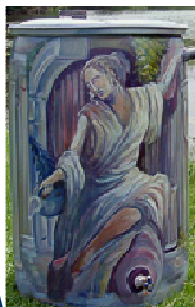
April: Artist will have a month to paint their barrels.

May: Barrels will be clear coated to preserve the work of art.

June: Rain Barrels will be displayed at various places around Van Buren County (restaurants, businesses, libraries etc.)

July: Rain Barrels will be displayed at the Van Buren Conservation District Annual Meeting/Summer Farm Day & Picnic on July 13th at the Cronenwett Farm in Lawton.

End of July: Rain Barrels will be sold in an online auction as a fundraiser for the VBCD.



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