One Reception at CGA, 1/20/23 from 6-9 PM Features TWO Exhibits Focusing on the Land & Prairies



TWO SHOWS: Prairie Passage solo exhibit by Joanne Aono & This Place, This Time — Various Local Artists Curated by Pamela Hamilton

Geneva, **IL** - The Geneva Center for the Arts announces an opening reception for the upcoming solo exhibition by artist Joanne Aono, *Prairie Passage*, on Friday, January 20th, from 6-9pm. The GCA is located at 321 Stevens St., Suite Q, in Geneva. The opening reception includes light fare, and a cash bar will be open throughout the evening. The event is free and open to the public. *SEE JOANNE'S ARTWORK BELOW...*

Prairie Passage consists of drawings and an installation referencing the wild and cultivated plants that have grown on the prairie, providing food for the area's inhabitants throughout history. The installation will create a passageway alluding to time, food sources, and nature along the Fox River and former Potawatomi trail. *Prairie Passage* is on display from January 3rd through February 9th. Please visit genevaartscenter.org for up-to-date gallery hours.

The January 20th reception will also celebrate the opening of *This Place, This Time* an open call show for area artists with art connected to the land and landscapes. The show was curated by the Geneva Center for the Arts along with a guest juror, landscape artist Pamela Hamilton, and includes the following artists: Amy Bernard, Elisa Boughner, John Nicholas, Jeanne Dyer, Maggie Capettini, Bobby Rowland, Mia Di Santo, Helen Read, Thomas Celewicz, Melanie Minnix, Alicia Daubner, Jill Kramer, Mike Barret Kolasinski. *This Place, This Time* will run from January 13th through February 9th in the Hunter W. Shodeen Enrichment Gallery at the GCA.

In conjunction with the Prairie Passage exhibition, Joanne Aono will hold an artist's talk on Saturday, February

Joanne Aono is a visual artist, curator, and holistic farmer. Her research-based drawings, paintings, and installations address identity, immigration, and the environment.



