

**2021 Texas & Neighbors 36th annual
Regional Art Exhibition and Competition
-PROSPECTUS-**

NOTICE: *As of this posting, the plan is to have a physical exhibition and judging of the accepted entries. However, due to the continuing effects of the Corona virus and potential government restrictions for public gatherings, it is possible that the event may be virtual for 2021. In that event, all invitations, judging, and awards will be via the digital, online forum. Should this be the case, award recipients will be notified through email, posted online, and receive awards via USPS registered delivery.*

ELIGIBILITY

Open to all artists, 18 and older and legal residents of Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana.

ARTWORK REQUIREMENTS

Supports: canvas, panel, paper, or yupo.

Two-dimensional works must classify in one of SIX CATEGORIES:

Oil painting

Acrylic

Water Media - Watercolor, casein and gouache

Mixed Media -The use of two or more mediums, collage, calligraphy, hand-pulled prints. Collage must incorporate two-dimensional, self-created elements. No relief or three-dimensional objects, including found objects or magazine clippings.

Drawing (Dry Media)- includes Pastel, Colored Pencil, Graphite, Ink, Silver, Gold, Conte Crayon, oil pastel, markers, scratchboard, etc.

Photography - Film, Digital, Digitally Manipulated.

Three-dimensional works must classify in the SEVENTH CATEGORY:

Sculpture - Any materials, but must not exceed 18" in diameter, must not exceed 36" in height, and must comply with content restrictions.

Submitted works of art must be two-dimensional originals (first six categories), or three-dimensional (Sculpture) completed within the last two years without instructor supervision. Work must not be a copy of other artist's work (including reference photographs).

Note: Works on canvas if unframed must on a 1" (or more in depth) wrapped canvas with all edges painted, and must be rear stapled, or gallery wrap (no side staples). Unframed cradled panels must be at least 1" in depth with the sides finished or painted. Works must be wired with screw eyes or D-rings, ready to hang, with backing. **No saw tooth hangers or cleats. Framed works with glazing larger**

than 16"x20" must use Plexiglas® or similar plastic glazing only. Framed works under 16"x20" may use glass.

REGISTRATION

Entry and payment is online only through Callforentry.com.

Images of accepted entries will become the property of IAA and the IAC to be used for the catalogue and other printing material, archives, web site, promotional, and educational purposes.

Up to three works of art may be entered by an artist for an entry fee of \$55 (\$45 for IAA members). Includes seven 2-D and sculpture categories. **Deadline for entry is March 1, 2021.**

INELIGIBLE WORKS

Computer generated, offset printed, collaborative, and previously ACCEPTED work into the Texas & Neighbors Regional Art competition are ineligible.

Artwork is ineligible if more than the 50 inch MAXIMUM SIZE (including frame) in either dimension or less than the 12 inch MINIMUM SIZE in either dimension or 144 square inches (excluding frame.) (11"x14' is an acceptable size.)

Irving Art Association reserves the right to reject any works not meeting eligibility requirements, or deemed inappropriate to hang in the Irving Arts Center (including frontal nudity) even after the image has been accepted.

SALES

All sales from this show are handled between the artist and the buyer. The artist is liable to the Irving Arts Center for a 20% commission and for all taxes on these sales. For more information, please contact info@texasandneighbors.com.

LIABILITIES

Although the Irving Art Association will exercise due care in handling works submitted to this exhibition, neither the Irving Art Association, nor the Irving Arts Center will be responsible for any loss or damage to any artwork. Artists are expected to insure their artwork.

HAND DELIVERY

Hand-delivered accepted works must be received on Saturday April 10, 2021 between 10:00 am - 3:00 pm at the Irving Arts Center, 3333 N. MacArthur Blvd., Irving, TX 75062.

Entries received after 3:00 pm will not be judged.

SHIPPED DELIVERY & RETURN

Packing: Pack accepted works in light-weight, sturdy, reusable cartons. Strongbox cartons are recommended.

DO NOT pack works in wooden crates or with excessively loose packing material such as peanuts, squiggles or cloth. ENTRIES RECEIVED WITH LOOSE PACKING MATERIAL WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

Labels: Clearly print your name and address on the outside and inside of the shipment cartons. Insure your shipment for your protection.

Shipping: Ship works via FedEx or UPS, prepaid **WITH A PREPAID RETURN LABEL** to arrive between April 5 - 9, 2021 to the IRVING ARTS CENTER, 3333 N. MacArthur Blvd., Irving, TX 75062. **Works that arrive after April 13 noon will not be judged.**

Returns: IAA will repack works in the original packing carton with the original packing material, affix the prepaid label, and return the shipment via FedEx or UPS.

STRIKE & PICK UP

Hand-delivered entries must be picked up on Sunday, June 13, 2021 between 1:00 pm and 5:00 pm. Artists who do not pick up their entries during the appropriate time will be charged a fee of \$10 per day. **THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS.**

CONTACT INFORMATION

IAA Exhibits Committee 972-721-8063 (voice mail) or by email at info@texasandneighbors.com. *Email is preferred.*

AWARDS: "Awards totaling up to \$10,000 or more!"

Number of awards per category contingent upon number of entries per category. If a category has less than seven (7) entries, 1st Place and Honorable Mention will be the only awards presented for that category. Multiple Honorable Mention may be awarded within a single category.

Best of Show (one award)

IAC Award of Excellence (one award)

Oil painting - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Honorable Mention

Acrylic - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Honorable Mention

Water Media - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Honorable Mention

Mixed Media - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Honorable Mention

Drawing (Dry Media) - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Honorable Mention

Photography - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Honorable Mention

Sculpture - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Honorable Mention

2021 Texas & Neighbors Activities Schedule:

Show Call posted _January 01, 2021

Entry deadline _March 01, 2021

Invitation selections made by _March 20, 2021

...if physical exhibit and events...

Shipped art arrives _April 5 - 9, 2021

Hand delivered intake, judging, and Juror Talk _April 10, 2021

Installation _May 13 - 14, 2021

Exhibition opens _May 15

Reception and Awards _May 16, 2021

Exhibition ends _June 12, 2021

Strike _June 13, 2021

...if virtual exhibit only...

Judging and award selections completed _April 10, 2021

Catalog completed (RGB PDF, and CMYK) and to the printer _May 10, 2021

Email notifications and online posting of awards (PDF Catalog) _May 16, 2021

Dispatch of awards and checks _June 01, 2021