



**Date:** October 10, 2009

**To:** Middle and High School Art Teachers and Principals in the West Tennessee Region

**From:** Tennessee Art Education Association and the West Tennessee Regional Center

**Re:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual West Tennessee Regional Student Art Exhibition  
January 11 - February 26, 2010



The Tennessee Art Education Association is pleased to once again partner with the West Tennessee Regional Art Center to present the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual West Tennessee Regional Student Art Exhibition, featuring artwork created by West Tennessee middle and

high school students. This competition offers students the opportunity to display their talents and be honored for their accomplishments in a professional art museum environment. **There is no entry fee for this competition.**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual West Tennessee Regional Student Art Exhibition is open to students in grades 6-12, attending public, private, or home schools in West Tennessee. No more than two entries per student may be entered in this competition. **All media will be eligible. Only individual artwork will be accepted, no collaboration pieces.**

The Best of Show award will win a \$500 cash purchase award as well as scholarship opportunities. Additional awards have been made possible by the Tennessee Art Education Association.

There will be an awards ceremony and opening reception from 2-4pm on Sunday, January 24, 2010, in the Upstairs Gallery of the West Tennessee Regional Art Center for the artists, their families, friends, and school personnel.



If you have questions, please contact Bill Hickerson at 731-784-1787 or [wtrac@aeneas.net](mailto:wtrac@aeneas.net).

**Tennessee Art Education Association and the  
West Tennessee Regional Art Center present the  
2<sup>nd</sup> Annual West Tennessee Regional Student Art Exhibition  
January 11 - February 26, 2010**

### **Categories**

Ceramics, Drawing, Mixed Media, Painting, Sculpture, Printmaking, Traditional (film-based) Photography, Digital Photography, and Computer Graphics.

### **Works Eligible**

All media will be eligible. **All entries must be the original work of the student and not copies of other artists' work.** Do not submit any work copied from published photographs, magazines, book illustrations, or other artwork.

- Two dimensional works may not exceed 4 feet in any direction.
- Sculptures should not exceed 4 feet in any direction; weight limit is 50 pounds. Sculptures must be individually boxed.

***To be eligible, artworks must have been completed between October 2008 and November 2009. Please do not enter any work that was entered in the last exhibition. Any work identified from last year's jury will be automatically disqualified.***

### **Presentation Form**

- 2D artwork must be framed or matted (preferably matted).
- Mats should be white, cream, or black.
- All artwork and canvases must have the necessary hardware for hanging. Please attach wires securely to backing board.
  - ***No sawtooth hangers.***
  - ***If the work does not have hardware for hanging, it will not be exhibited.***
- All pastels and charcoals must be sprayed.
- Ceramics must be properly fired.
- All entries must be sturdy enough to withstand normal handling and display.

*Reasonable care of entries will be taken by the Student Art Exhibition Committee, but the Committee and staff of the West Tennessee Regional Art Center assume no responsibility for the loss or damage to accepted work.*

### **Artists Eligible**

The competition is open to students, grades 6-12, attending public, private, or home schools in the counties of West Tennessee.

## **Entries and Entry Form**

**No more than 2 entries per artist may be entered in the competition.**

Teachers, please submit the highest quality of artwork. The number of entries entered into the competition is **NOT TO EXCEED 30 ENTRIES PER TEACHER.**

All entry forms must be signed by the student and teacher attesting to the artwork's originality. If there is a doubt as to the originality, the teacher should NOT submit it. Feel free to make additional copies of the entry forms as needed. Entry forms are available online at [www.wtrac.tn.org](http://www.wtrac.tn.org).

Please complete one entry form for each student. **Please print.** Each teacher must mail or drop off a CD or flash drive containing high-resolution **JPGs** (minimum 300 dpi) of the students' artwork. Please crop to show artwork only (crop out mat, etc.). One CD or flash drive (non-returnable) may contain all of the teacher's entries. Please label each file with the last name of the student, the title of the piece, the category it is entering, and grade level. For example: **Smith - Untitled (Painting) 9**. All entries must be **received by** November 24, 2009.

## **Accepted Work**

Notification of the acceptance of works will be **emailed** by December 10, 2009. All accepted work must be received at the **West Tennessee Regional Art Center** between the hours of 10am and 6pm on December 17, 2009.

**1200 Main Street  
Humboldt, TN 38343**

The exhibit will run **January 11 - February 26, 2010**. The awards ceremony and reception will be held **Sunday, January 24, 2010**, from 2–4pm at the West Tennessee Regional Art Center.

## **Artwork and Prizes**

Awards (gift certificates, scholarships, and cash prizes) will be given to the "Best Of" each media, as well as 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> places, and Honorable Mention awards per grade. There will be one \$500 Best of Show Purchase Award. The Best of Show winning entry will become part of the West Tennessee Regional Art Center's permanent collection. The teacher of the student awarded Best of Show will receive special recognition.

## **Judging**

Selections for entry must be made in the schools. Entries violating any of the rules will be automatically disqualified before judging. Final selections for the exhibition and awards will be made by a jury, and entrants will be notified of their acceptance or non-acceptance of their entries. Judging will be by grade levels and by categories.

## **Preparation**

Please write any special instructions on a piece of paper attached to the accepted work. **Attach a copy of the completed form to the back of each entry.** If a student has two pieces accepted, please circle title that applies.

## **Delivery and Pick-Up**

Please notify the front desk that you are here to drop off artwork for the exhibition. Art Center staff and volunteers will be available to assist you.

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## **Dates to Remember**

**Tuesday, November 24, 2009**  
**Thursday, December 10, 2009**  
**December 17, 2009 (10am-6pm)**  
**January 11-February 26, 2010**  
**Sunday, January 24, 2010, 2-4pm**  
**March 2, 2010 (10am-6pm)**

**Deadline for Entries**  
**Acceptance Notices Sent**  
**Drop-Off of Accepted Art**  
**Exhibition Dates**  
**Awards Ceremony/Reception**  
**Pick Up Artwork**

*The West Tennessee Regional Art Center has no extra storage space, and therefore any artwork not picked up by Wednesday, March 3, 2010, will be removed. Please make arrangements with fellow instructors to pick up all artwork. It is the responsibility of the teachers to pick up and drop off all artwork.*

If you have any questions please contact Bill Hickerson at 731-784-1787 or email [wtrac@aeneas.net](mailto:wtrac@aeneas.net).

**The following institutions of higher education will offer scholarships for the East, Middle, and West TAEA Regional Exhibitions:**

**Art Institute of Nashville**, Nashville, Tennessee  
**College for Creative Studies (CCS)**, Detroit, Michigan  
**Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA)**, Baltimore, Maryland  
**Memphis College of Art (MCA)**, Memphis, Tennessee  
**New Hampshire Institute of Art**, Manchester, New Hampshire  
**O'More College of Design**, Franklin, Tennessee  
**Watkins College of Art, Design & Film**, Nashville, Tennessee

# West Tennessee Regional Student Art Exhibition Entry Form

Please print **clearly**. If we cannot read this form, the student's work is not eligible. **Attach a completed copy to the back of each accepted entry.** If two works are accepted by an artist, please circle appropriate title.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructor: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry #1 Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Category: \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_

Entry #2 Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Category: \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for the West Tennessee Regional Art Center to display my art and to use it in any promotional materials created for the *West Tennessee Regional Student Art Exhibition*. I fully understand that the West Tennessee Regional Art Center and the Student Art Committee will take reasonable care of the entries and that I must reclaim my work by the date requested. I understand that the West Tennessee Regional Art Center will assume no liability for lost or damaged work. By signing this I am attesting to the originality of the piece and that my entries follow the instructions and rules listed.

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Student's Signature

Date

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Teacher's Signature

Date

Please mail entries and form to: WTRSAE, West Tennessee Regional Art Center, 1200 Main Street, Humboldt, TN 38343