

The Tennessee Art Education Association & the West Tennessee Regional Art Center
present the

14th Annual West Tennessee Regional Student Art Exhibition

Exhibition dates: January 17, 2022 – February 24, 2022

Deadline for entries: Monday, November 8, 2021

Delivery of accepted works: Thursday, December 9, 2021

Awards Reception: Sunday, January 16, 2022

Pick up date: Thursday, March 10, 2022

*Covid-19 conditions will determine whether the awards ceremony will be public or virtual.

Works Eligible

All entries must be the original work of the students. Do not submit any work copied from published photographs, magazines, book illustrations, or other artwork. All work must be signed by the student and teacher attesting to its originality. If there is doubt as to the originality, the teacher should NOT submit it.

- Two dimensional works may not exceed 4 feet in any direction.
- Sculptures may not exceed 4 feet in any direction; weight limit is 50 pounds. Larger pieces will be considered, but only if the teacher is willing to personally transport the sculpture to/from WTRAC and to/from Nashville for the "Best of the Best" exhibition.
- Videos must contain original content and not exceed 5 minutes in length. Music must be original or copyright free.

Artwork submitted to previous West Tennessee Regional Student Art Exhibitions is not eligible.

Works completed from November 2020 through November 2021 are eligible to enter in the competition.

Artists Eligible

The competition is open to students, grades 6-12, attending public, private, or home schools in the counties of West Tennessee. The number of works entered into the competition may not exceed **2 per student**, and no more than **25 works entered per teacher**.

Categories, Awards and Prizes

Best of Show Purchase Award	\$500
Middle School Best of Show	\$100
Best Ceramics	\$ 50
Best Computer Graphic Best Drawing	\$ 50
Best Mixed Media	\$ 50
Best Painting	\$ 50
Best Photography	\$ 50
Best Printmaking	\$ 50
Best Sculpture	\$ 50
Best Video	\$ 50

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place and one or more honorable mentions will be selected for each grade level.

The Best-of-Show Purchase Award

All high school entries are eligible for the Best-of-Show \$500 Purchase Award. The entry selected will become part of the West Tennessee Regional Center's permanent student art collection.

The Best of the Best Exhibition

All artwork winning the Best-of-Show Purchase Award or any of the Best-of-Categories will remain at The West Tennessee Regional Art Center until the Tennessee's Best of the Best Student Art Exhibition in Nashville. This artwork cannot be entered into any other competition until after the closing of the Best of the Best Exhibition. While this date is still to be determined, the Best of the Best Exhibition usually runs from late June through late August.

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 jury, and entrants' teachers will be notified of the acceptance (or non-acceptance) of entries. Accepted works/awards will be selected for grade levels 6 through 12. Best of show and of media categories will then be chosen from accepted works.

Presentation Form

- Photographs/works on paper must be framed or matted.
- Mats should be white (or off-white), gray, or black.
- Paintings/Works on canvas do not require a frame.
- All 2-D works must arrive WIRED and ready to hang. Please do not use: sawtooth hangers, yarn, masking tape, scotch tape, or sticky putty. Gaffers tape and clear packaging tape are sometimes acceptable for lightweight pieces. **Sturdy foamcore or cardboard backing is required for all works on paper.**
- 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 Student Art Committee and the staff of the West Tennessee Regional Art Center assume no responsibility for the loss or damage to entries.

Delivery of Artwork

All accepted work must be delivered to the West Tennessee Regional Art Center, 1200 Main Street, Humboldt, TN 38343, between the hours of 10am and 4:30pm on Thursday, December 9, 2020.

Picking Up Artwork after the Exhibition

After the exhibition closes, artwork must be picked up by a teacher or designated representative on March 10, 2022, between 10am and 4:30pm. Any artwork remaining at the West Tennessee Regional Art Center beyond 30 days of the pick-up date could be discarded.

- November 8, 2021: Entry deadline
- November 18, 2021: Announcement of Accepted Entries
- December 9, 2021: Accepted artwork must be delivered (*awards will be announced at the reception*)
- January 16, 2022: Awards Ceremony & Reception, 2-4 pm (all participating student artists will be recognized)
- January 18 – February 24, 2022: Exhibition Dates
- March 10, 2022: Pick-up date for artwork

Entering Work

Please fill out one entry form for each student. Teachers shall mail or deliver a flash drive containing high-resolution JPGs or PNG files of the students' artwork. Entry forms are to be **saved as pdfs*** -- **NOT as scans**. One flash drive may contain all of the teacher's entries. Please note that flash drives will not be returned. With prior notification to WTRAC, entries (images and forms) may be submitted via Dropbox. Please attach a printed form to selected artwork before delivery.

***Saving the individual completed entry forms as pdfs allows data to be copied/pasted for spreadsheets, labels, etc.**

For new users, please visit <https://www.dropbox.com/> to create an account.

Please label each file with the category entered, teacher's last name*, title of work, last name of student, grade, and size -- each separated by an underscore (e.g. *painting_Jones_untitled_lastname_11_18x24.jpg*).

*Please note that including **teachers' surnames** makes entries easier to sort and find in searches.

All entries must be received by November 8, 2021. Please mail entries and form to: WTRSAE, West Tennessee Regional Art Center, 1200 E. Main Street, Humboldt, TN 38343. Call Bill Hickerson at 731-784-1787 or email wtrac@aeneas.net for more information.

Please complete on a computer and save as a pdf prior to submission.

Handwritten entries or SCANS of completed forms will not be accepted.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____ State: TN Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Cell Phone (parent & student): _____

TEACHER/SCHOOL INFORMATION

Teacher's Name: _____

Teacher's Cell Phone: _____

School's Name: _____

Teacher's E-mail: _____

ENTRY INFORMATION

Entry Title #1: _____

Category: _____ Dimensions: _____

Entry Title #2: _____

Category: _____ Dimensions: _____

RELEASE INFORMATION

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 Exhibition Committee will take reasonable care of 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. I also understand that, if selected for the Best of the Best exhibition, my work cannot be picked up until the conclusion of that exhibition.

Parent/Student's Name (entering name indicates acceptance of the release information) Date

Teacher's Name (entering name indicates understanding of guidelines and policies) Date

Works accepted in this exhibition must be delivered as agreed above. They may NOT be entered in another competition with dates that are in conflict with WTRSAE.

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