

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

## **Eighth Annual West Tennessee Regional Student Art Exhibition**

January 11, 2016– February 26, 2016

Deadline for entries: November 13, 2015

Reception: Sunday, January 24, 2016, 2-4pm

### **Works Eligible**

All entries must be the original work of the student and not copies of another artist's work. Do not submit any work copied from published photographs, magazines, book illustrations or other artwork. All work must be signed by the student, parent or 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 WTRAC and to and from Nashville for the "Best of the Best" exhibition.

Artworks submitted to previous West Tennessee Regional Student Art Exhibitions are not eligible.

Artworks completed from November 2014 through November 2015 are eligible to enter 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 entries per teacher.

### **Categories, Awards and Prizes**

Best-of-Show	\$500
Best Painting	\$ 50
Best Sculpture	\$ 50
Best Computer Graphic	\$ 50
Best Drawing	\$ 50
Best Photograph	\$ 50
Best Ceramic	\$ 50
Best Video/DVD Production	\$ 50
Best Printmaking	\$ 50
Best Mixed Media	\$ 50

Prizes will also be given for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place and honorable mention winners in each grade level.

#### ***The Best-of-Show Purchase Award***

All high school entries are eligible for the Best-of-Show Purchase Award for which the artist receives the \$500 cash award, and the artwork will become part of the West Tennessee Regional Center's permanent 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 will be notified of their acceptance or non-acceptance of their entries. Judging will be by categories and then by grade levels: 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, & 12<sup>th</sup>.

## 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, but do require a hanging wire.
- All 2-D works must arrive WIRED and ready to hang. If your work relies on any of the following materials to hang, it will be excluded from the show: duct tape, thread, saw-tooth hangers, yarn, masking tape, scotch tape, and/or sticky putty. Gaff tape and clear packaging tape are acceptable if used adequately.
- 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 or dropped off at the West Tennessee Regional Art Center, 1200 Main Street, Humboldt, TN 38343, between the hours of 10am-5pm on December 11, 2015.

## Picking Up Artwork after the Exhibition

After the exhibition closes, artwork must be picked up by a teacher or their designated representative March 10, 2015, between 10am and 4:30pm. Any artwork remaining at the West Tennessee Regional Art Center beyond 30 days of the pick-up date will be discarded.

## Calendar

- November 13: Entry deadline
- November 23: Announcement of Accepted Entries
- December 11: Accepted artwork must be delivered (*awards will be announced at the reception*)
- January 24: Awards Ceremony & Reception, 2-4 pm (all participating student artists will be recognized)
- January 11 – February 26, 2016: Exhibition Dates
- March 11, 2016: Pick-up date for artwork

## Entering Work

Please fill out one entry form for each student. Each teacher must mail or deliver a flash drive containing high-resolution JPGs of the students' artwork. One flash drive may contain all of the teacher's entries. Please note that flash drives will not be returned. Entries may also be submitted via Dropbox, but only with prior authorization from WTRAC. Videos must still be submitted in DVD Format

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

Please label each file with the category entered, title of work, last name of student, grade, and size -- each separated by an underscore (e.g. *painting\_untitled\_lastname\_11\_18x24.jpg*).

All entries must be received by November 13, 2015. Please mail entries and form to: WTRSAE, West Tennessee Regional Art Center, 1200 Main Street, Humboldt, TN 38343. Call Bill Hickerson at 731-784-1787 or email [wtrac@aeneas.net](mailto:wtrac@aeneas.net) for more information.

