

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

## 15th Annual West Tennessee Regional Student Art Exhibition

Exhibition dates: January 17, 2023 – February 23, 2023

Deadline for entries: Monday, November 14, 2022

Delivery of accepted works: Thursday, December 8, 2022

Awards Reception: Sunday, January 22, 2023

Pick up date: Thursday, March 9, 2023

### 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 2021 through November 2022 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

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 8, 2022.

## Picking Up Artwork after the Exhibition

After the exhibition closes, artwork must be picked up by a teacher or designated representative on March 9, 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.

## Entering Work

Please fill out one entry form for each student. All entries will be submitted via Google Form (linked below). For teachers submitting multiple entries, it might be helpful to create a list of responses that will be used repeatedly (school, teacher name, teacher email, teacher cell number) in a Word document to allow for copying and pasting into the forms.

Uploaded images should have a print resolution of 300dpi, and the file size should be around 3MB–5MB. If that isn't possible smaller file sizes will be accepted.

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

## 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.*

Call Bill Hickerson at 731-784-1787 or email [wtrac@aeneas.net](mailto:wtrac@aeneas.net) for more information.

Click link below or copy and paste into browser to access entry form:

<https://forms.gle/ZCk7PEhaAtEzmqdi9>