

RCAS Show Guidelines

Revised September 2020

Take-in (acceptance of artwork) for all shows, except for the Young People's Scholarship Show, the Rosemary Cheney Memorial Show and the

Regional Show will be held from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM on Saturdays. The hanging and judging may be completed on Sunday afternoon if necessary.

Categories and requirements: Each piece of artwork must be entered in one of the following categories

- Water Media/Acrylic/Alcohol Ink > on Paper or Yupo
- Oil or Acrylic > on Canvas or Hard Surfaces
(Including grounds other than paper)
- Pastel/ Graphics > Graphics are limited to pastels, charcoals, ink drawings, colored and graphite pencil, crayons, woodcuts, etchings and hand pulled prints.
- Collage and Mixed Media > Image source materials must be original, painted by the artist with less than 10% consisting of published images. Includes multi-dimensional art of all mediums (wood, fabric, wire, paper, mosaics etc.) Depth is limited to 5" deep and must weigh less than 10 pounds. Art must be mounted or framed as a single unit with D-rings to be hung on existing walls or panels. No free-standing assemblages or sculpture are permitted.
- Digital and Photographic Art > Includes all forms of photography enhanced photography, digital art originating on the computer, or digital collage. Size and framing must be consistent with painted art categories. All components of images must be originally captured/created by the artist and cannot include company logos or have been used for commercial purposes.

1. Juried Library shows: 2 or 3 entries (Chair discretion) may be entered in any of the five available categories, (Regional show: 3 entries).
2. Artists may receive no more than one prize in any category.
3. Awards as follows:
 - Best of Show
 - In each category
 - First, Second, Third and Honorable Mention –
 - One per category at judge's discretion
 - Show Chair and/or judge may reduce the number of prizes in any category
 - If there are too few entries. If this is done, additional honorable mention awards in the other categories may be made. As a last resort the Show Chair may combine the two smaller categories.

Merchandise awards- at judge's discretion as directed in #2 above.

All artwork must be *original, two-dimensional and hand-executed within the past two years without instructor supervision and must not be copies of artwork or photographs by persons other than the artist; even with copyright or original photographer's permission.* Artwork must be displayed for the duration of the show. Entry shall imply a release for winning pieces to be shown on the RCAS website and in RCAS publications. Standards Committee (chosen by Show Chair) shall determine eligibility, and their decisions are final.

Framing:

All artwork must be framed (gallery wrapped canvas is accepted but edges must be painted). Simple frames are encouraged. Artwork must be totally dry and ready to hang with D rings and wire. Watercolor and other fragile media must be under Plexiglas except for pastels and charcoal which may be under glass. Frames may not exceed 48" on any side, including frame and the minimum size is 8" x 10" including frame and shall be less than 5" thick. Diptych and Triptych must be in one frame and will be judged as one entry.

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Eligibility and Requirements for Specific Shows:

- **Membership Show**
Must be RCAS member over 18 and a member in good standing.
- **Spring Show**
Must be over 18 years of age.
- **Young Peoples' Scholarship Show**
Must be freshman, sophomore, junior or senior R.I.S.D. students or high school age residents of Richardson.
- **Rosemary Cheney Memorial Show**
Must be R.I.S.D. elementary school students or elementary school age residents of Richardson.

- **Regional Show**

Open to all Texas region artists 18 and over.

Artists may qualify for three awards (only one per category).

Image submission should show image only, not the frame.

NON-JURIED SHOWS

Mediums will include oils, acrylics, pastels, graphics, water media, collage, mixed media, photography, digital art, and tactile and 3D forms (lightweight enough to hang on the panels and not more than 5 inches deep.) All artwork must be framed. Gallery-wrapped paintings will be accepted, but sides of the canvas must be painted with no staples showing. No glass except for pastels and charcoal. Frames may not exceed 48" on any side, including frame and the minimum size is 8" x 10" including frame and shall be less than 5" thick.

- **Summer Show Display**

Must be over 18 years of age. Open to any RCAS member in good standing.

- **Heights Rec Center**

Must be over 18 years of age. Solo show featuring one RCAS member's artwork.

- **Huffhines Rec Center**

Must be over 18 years of age. Open to any RCAS member in good standing.

- **Civic Center Display**

Must be over 18 years of age. Eligibility will at the discretion of the Board

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- **Ineligible or Unacceptable Items**

- Work done in a professional class or artist workshop are not eligible for **juried shows**
- Work over two years old, free standing assemblages and/or sculpture, are not eligible for **juried shows**
- Saw tooth hangers or eye screws are not eligible **for juried and non-juried shows**, D-rings and wires are the only acceptable hanging hardware.
- Subject matter in RCAS and Richardson City Public Library policies state artwork which include nudes, conspicuously religious or blatantly political subject matter, may not be displayed in **either juried or non-juried shows**.