Fine Art Juried Art Show and Sale



Presented by McAlester Area Arts & Humanities Council October 24 – 25, 2025



Meet our Judge - Paul Walsh - Roff, OK

Paul Walsh is an artist based in southern Oklahoma, inspired by the local landscape. He holds a Bachelor's in Art and a Master's in Art Education from East Central University (ECU) in Ada. After serving in the Vietnam War, he taught art in Oklahoma public schools for forty years, primarily at Sulphur High School, before retiring to focus on his own work and teaching as an adjunct at ECU. Walsh has won multiple "Best in Show" awards from the Ada Artists Association, Cossatot Art Show, and Studio 107 Annual Exhibit. His paintings have been featured in solo exhibitions across galleries and universities in Oklahoma. Walsh paints nearly every day, believing that consistent practice is essential for mastery.

Application Eligibility Guidelines

Available Categories: Oil/Acrylic, Drawing, Sculpture, Water Media, and Photography

- Open to all artists 18 years or older
- Original artwork only. Artwork must not be copied from or based on any existing copyrighted images, characters, or designs.
- **Note: Please read through the entire prospectus. Any piece that does not meet entry criteria will automatically be rejected.
- Each artist may enter a maximum of <u>four pieces in total</u>.
- The entry fee is \$30 and is non-refundable once the artwork has been accepted.
- There must be at least three (3) submissions in a category to make.
- 2D (two-dimensional) entries must be original paintings completed from 2022 to the submission deadline.
- Older work will be disqualified. Work completed during a workshop or under the instruction of another artist, or works based on other copyrighted artwork/photography, are ineligible. None of the following will be accepted: Prints (paper or giclée enhanced or otherwise), etchings, lithography, airbrush, crafts, ceramics, fabric, photographically produced, laser-generated, computer-generated/enhanced digital artwork, or AI-generated work.
- ALL 2D PIECES, excluding gallery wrapped, <u>MUST BE FRAMED</u> with a traditional physical frame and with wire (no sawtooth hooks), ready for hanging. "Floater" frames must extend around the edge of the piece.
 Screws should be placed 1/3 of the way down from the top of the frame.
- Paintings MUST NOT EXCEED 40" on either dimension (unframed image size). Paintings exceeding this size will be automatically rejected.
- Entries must be submitted in person. Each piece entered must include the artist's name, framed size, title, and the medium used. The entry area is located on the Mezzanine Level at the Southeast Expo Center building, located at 4300 W. 270 Hwy, after exiting the Indian Nations Turnpike. (Elevator access is available.)
- Artists should carry their own insurance. Reasonable care will be taken with all accepted juried artwork.
- MAA&HC will not be responsible for loss or damage to any work.
- All work must be for sale.

INDIVIDUAL CATEGORY NOTES (in addition to the above guidelines):

Drawing – Includes graphite, charcoal, pen & ink, pastels, colored pencil, etc.; must be framed under clear acrylic or plexiglass.

Sculpture/Carving – Includes wood, clay, stone, bronze, glass, plaster, carvings, metal, epoxy resin, marble, and mixed media. Pieces must be completed from January 1, 2020, to **the submission deadline**. Sculpture may not exceed **60 lbs**. Limited edition sculptures do not require immediate availability for purchase, **provided** that orders can be placed.

Water Media – Must be framed under clear acrylic or plexiglass. Varnished watercolor is also accepted.

Photography – Must be framed and under clear acrylic or plexiglass

Important Calendar Dates

Oct 20 -22 ARTWORK RECEIVING DAYS: In-person hand deliveries only for this show.

Accepted M -W from 10 AM - 5 PM at the Southeast Expo Center, Mezzanine Level,

4500 W, Hwy 270, McAlester, OK (Elevator accessible).

Oct 23 HANGING OF ACCEPTED ARTWORK

Oct 24 JUDGING begins at 2 PM

AWARD PRESENTATION at 5 PM (1st -\$100, 2nd - \$75, 3rd - \$50, ea/ Category), Best of Show - \$200

PATRON RECEPTION– Art Patrons and artists only at 6 PM – 8 PM.

Oct 25 ART SHOW OPENS to the public for viewing and booth sales from 11 AM to 8 PM.

Oct 25 & 26 ARTWORK PICKUP – Saturday, (8 PM- 10 PM), or Sunday (10 AM – 4 PM). All artwork

must be removed from the Southeast Expo building premises by closing time on Sunday. *No Exceptions*. If you are unable to pick up your artwork yourself, you must complete and sign an **Authorization Release Form** during the initial delivery. This form allows a designated person to

collect your artwork on your behalf.

This show is being held alongside McAlester Oktoberfest (Oct 24th & 25th) on a separate level with private entry and 24-hour security. Public viewing will be on <u>Saturday only</u> with Art Council personnel present.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Read the entire prospectus carefully.

Any piece that does not meet all entry criteria will be automatically rejected at the time of entry. Once accepted, no refunds will be given.

No price changes are allowed <u>after</u> acceptance to the show. Be sure to build the <u>25% commission</u> into your price.

The McAlester Area Arts & Humanities Council reserves the right to authenticate all pieces submitted to the MAA&HC Juried Fine Art Show. We reserve the right to accept or refuse your work upon arrival.

Artists may purchase a 10'X10' booth on the Mezzanine level for \$25 to sell their artwork not included in the Juried Fine Art Show. They must provide their own canopy, display materials, tables, chairs, and lighting source (if used). Electricity will be available at no additional cost.



McAlester Area Arts & Humanities Council ARTIST ENTRY FORM



Payment can be made in person or on the MAA&HC website. (link below) https://www.mcartscouncil.com/event-details/oktoberfest-fine-arts-show

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