



CALL FOR ENTRIES

Sixth Annual NorthStar Watermedia National Juried Art Exhibition

Exhibition Dates: October 2-November 13, 2020

Deadline for Entries: Midnight, August 1, 2020

Venue

Wildwood Library is a new facility in Mahtomedi, Minnesota designed with state-of-the-art technology and flexible community space. Art exhibitions have long been part of the Mahtomedi community offerings at Wildwood Library and this is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate with them. Open daily Monday through Saturday except October 21 and November 11th. Wildwood Library is part of the Washington County Library System located at 763 Stillwater Road, Mahtomedi, MN 55115.

Juror and Judge

The juror for our Exhibition is Nicole Watson. She is director of The Catherine G. Murphy Gallery at St. Catherine University, Saint Paul, Minnesota. Nicole has over 10 years of experience in exhibitions, fine art collection management, and arts-related communication.

2020 Exhibition Calendar

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| • May 1 to August 1 | Entries accepted until midnight August 1 |
| • Tuesday, August 18 | Acceptance notification and shipping instructions |
| • September 14-18 | Shipped paintings received |
| • Wednesday, September 30, 10am-1pm | Hand-delivered paintings received |
| • Friday, October 2 | Opening of Exhibition |
| • Sunday, October 11, 2-4pm | Artist Reception and Awards Ceremony |
| • Saturday, November 14, 10am-1pm | Pickup hand-delivered paintings |
| • Friday, November 25 | Latest date unsold paintings shipped back |

Awards

NorthStar Watermedia Society will award a minimum of \$4000 in cash and non-cash prizes for the 2020 National Exhibition. Awards in 2019 totaled over \$8000 in a combination of cash, gift certificates and merchandise.

- Best of Show - \$1250
- 2nd Place - \$1000
- 3rd Place - \$750
- Named awards and additional cash/product awards

Eligibility

Open to all artists 18 years or older.

Entry Fee (non-refundable)

- NorthStar Watermedia Society members: \$40 for up to three images.
- Non-members: \$50 for up to three images.
- You need not be a NorthStar member to enter the National Exhibition, but you must be a NorthStar member to be eligible for a signature status. It's easy to join NorthStar! The membership form and payment options are on-line. Simply click this **LINK**: <https://northstarwatermedia.wufoo.com/forms/za3s3oe1yahycw/>

Entry Procedure

All entries are handled by www.callforentry.org. Entry deadline is midnight, August 1, 2020

- Contact NorthStar Registration via email at jilljacobson@comcast.net or lucylemay@gmail.com for questions related to the Call For Entries.

- Registration is online only at www.callforentry.org. See image guidelines at <https://www.callforentry.org/uploading-images-audio-and-video-files/> for help to properly size **your** images.
- Each artist may submit up to three paintings; however, only one can be selected for the exhibition.
- Show only the image, no frame or mat. The image must be correctly oriented (vertical or horizontal).
- No digital watermark may be shown in the image.
- After a painting has been entered, its title and price may not be changed. Please price paintings with consideration of framing costs, applicable sales commissions and tax or as NFS.

Specifications and Restrictions

- All work submitted must be suitable for a family audience.
- Entries limited to paintings in watercolor, acrylic, casein, gouache, water-soluble ink, and egg tempera.
- Acceptable surfaces include paper, yupo, canvas, canvas board, or board.
- Only papers hand painted by the artist may be used for collage.
- No paintings accepted that use pastel, oil pastel, wax crayon, water soluble oil, alcohol inks, computer generated images, or any form of print reproduction.
- Work and source material must be wholly original and not derived from any published images or other artists' work.
- Entries may not have been exhibited in any previous NorthStar Watermedia Society exhibition.
- Maximum size, including frame, 42" in any direction. Maximum depth 3".
- There is no minimum size.
- Framing or mounting is required for all paintings, except a gallery-wrap canvas finished on all sides as continuation of the image, or cradled Ampersand.
- All paintings must be wired for hanging on the vertical sides of the frame. No saw tooth hangers allowed. Finished work to be suitable for hanging in a fine arts gallery.
- Please protect your painting as you see fit. Be advised that large paintings with glass may be subject to breakage.
- All insurance is the responsibility of the artist.
- No work may be withdrawn before close of exhibition.
- NorthStar cannot make special shipping arrangements.
- Accepted painting must be same as entry.
- If an accepted painting is not submitted for the show, the artist will be disqualified from entering any NorthStar National Watermedia Exhibition for three (3) consecutive years.

Coronavirus Considerations

- In this time of uncertainty due to the COVID-19 coronavirus, it remains the intention of NSWS to hold our annual exhibition with our customary on-site jurying for awards, open exhibition hours, and award ceremony/reception.
- Should health advisories occur, we will keep ALL entrants informed of any modification we may need to make. Regardless of the latter, we will, at a minimum, ensure that images of all accepted entries, the juror's written comments as well as a list of all award-winning artists and their paintings will be posted on the NSWS website.

Sales

- NorthStar Watermedia Society retains 15% on any sold artwork in the exhibition.
- Artwork may not be removed until after completion of the exhibition.

Delivery of Artwork

Every artist whose painting is accepted will receive instructions for shipping or hand-delivery. Read the instructions carefully.

- Hand-delivered artwork must include the following:
 - Gallery fee: \$20 check payable to NorthStar Watermedia Society
- Shipped Artwork must include ALL of the following:
 - Gallery fee: \$20 check payable to NorthStar Watermedia Society
 - Handling fee: \$60 check to Artists' Choice for cartage and unpacking and repacking services
 - Prepaid return shipping label

For Question about Entry Process

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Copyright and Production Rights

As condition of entry, entrant grants NorthStar Watermedia Society the right to reproduce accepted artwork in materials such as a CD, catalog or video, press releases, publications, brochures, leaflets, invitations, radio, television or website announcements, and other printed or electronic media.

Disclaimer/Legal

Artists should provide their own insurance. NorthStar Watermedia Society and Wildwood Library, Washington County will take every precaution against damage or theft, but will not be responsible for damage or loss, whatever the cause. Submission of an entry to this exhibition constitutes the agreement of the artist to all terms and conditions in this Call For Entries. The entering artist does for himself/herself, his/her heirs and assigns, hereby forever waive, release and discharge NorthStar Watermedia Society, its members, and Wildwood Library and its agents from any and all manner of actions, suits, damages, claims, and demands whatsoever, in law and equity, for any loss or damage to the artist's property, and for any personal liability.