

## ***6th Annual Highlands Juried Art Exhibit***

The New Jersey Highlands Coalition, in association with the Morris Museum, is proud to announce its 6th Annual Highlands Juried Art Exhibit featuring the landscapes, flora, fauna, natural, cultural and historic resources of the Highlands of NY, NJ, PA and CT.

Artists are invited to submit work for an exhibit at the Morris Museum in Morristown, New Jersey. The exhibit will run from August through October, 2019. The deadline for submissions is midnight, Thursday, May 23, 2019. New this year will be the addition of a Youth Category for artists under the age of 18, and a Sculpture/3-D category. Selected entries will be featured in the Morris Museum's spacious Hedley Gallery and the three top prize winners also will be shown at Studio 7 Fine Art Gallery in Bernardsville later in the year.

There will be a reception at the Morris Museum on September 12 from 6:30-8:30 pm, where prizes will be awarded. Thanks to generous donors, there will be a Grand Prize of \$500, in addition to Second Place and Third Place awards of \$300 and \$200 respectively. Other prizes will include gift certificates for framing, printing and local events. Selections from the exhibit will be featured on the New Jersey Highlands Coalition website and social media sites. Prize-winning images will accompany press releases to be sent to prominent NJ publications.

Two-dimensional painting, drawing, pastel, mixed-media and photography featuring the landscapes, flora, fauna, natural, cultural, or historic resources of the Highlands of NY, NJ, PA and CT will be accepted for jurying, as will 3-D, small sculpture and carving. Abstract images and sculpture are also accepted as long as they are inspired by the Highlands. See details below.

### **Deadline:**

Initial digital entries must be received by midnight, **Thursday, May 23, 2019.**

### **Rules:**

By submitting images, each entrant agrees to the following rules:

- All entrants 18 years of age or older will be classified in the Adult Category. All artists under 18 years of age will be entered into the Youth

Category. Employees and Trustees of the New Jersey Highlands Coalition and their immediate family members are not permitted to enter.

- Initial entries must be in digital format (see *How To Enter*).
- Submissions may be abstract or non-abstract, and may include mixed-media, photography, paintings and drawings, pastels, or 3-D.
- Each submission must feature or be inspired by the flora, fauna, landscapes, natural, cultural or historic resources of the Highlands of NY, NJ, PA and CT, or flora and fauna typically found in the Highlands (images of individual plants and animals from outside of the Highlands will be accepted as long as the species depicted is found within the four-state Highlands Region). Please note that New Jersey's Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge is considered part of the Highlands due to its location and any work featuring the Great Swamp will be accepted. For more information about the Highlands Region please visit:  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Highlands\\_of\\_Connecticut,\\_New\\_Jersey,\\_New\\_York,\\_and\\_Pennsylvania](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Highlands_of_Connecticut,_New_Jersey,_New_York,_and_Pennsylvania)
- Work must be dropped off and picked up at the Museum during the dates and times provided upon acceptance.
- All 2-dimensional work must be framed, wired, and ready to hang or it will not be accepted. 2-dimensional work must be limited to 30 inches on its longest side when framed. Accepted work will include photographs (color or black and white), original paintings, drawings, pastels and mixed media. 3-dimensional work (sculpture or carvings) must be either free-standing or suitable for hanging. If hanging, the work may protrude 4 inches or less from the wall when hung. Free-standing sculpture and carving must not exceed 24 inches in any direction. All work must be wrapped, boxed or otherwise protected to enable easy transport. Please use a **reusable** cardboard box, a **reusable** portfolio or a **reusable** bubble wrap pouch. **Please DO NOT use excessive amounts of packing tape; your packaging will be reused and handlers must be able to easily pack and unpack each piece.** All packaging will be returned with each work.

- Photographs must not be heavily manipulated; only minor burning, dodging, contrast and color adjustments are permitted. Heavily manipulated photographs or portions of photographs may be accepted as “mixed media” only if another medium is employed in the same piece.
- All work must be the property of the entrant; entrant must be the copyright owner and the work must not infringe on the rights of others. Submitted work must not contain any offensive, sexually explicit, or inappropriate content.
- Work depicting any recognizable person or persons must be accompanied by a signed model release. ([Please see this article for more information regarding model releases.](#)):
- Entrants will retain copyrights to their work. Entrants acknowledge, however, that by entering this competition, they grant the New Jersey Highlands Coalition the right to reproduce, distribute, and display all work submitted in any form in connection with the Exhibit, or for promotion of the Exhibit. Full credit will accompany any image used for these purposes.

**How to enter:**

The fee to enter the Adult Category is \$20.00 for up to three images. [Please pay your registration fee via this link to Paypal.](#) There is no fee for entering the Youth Category but artists under 18 will be limited to one image only.

Submissions are accepted by email only and must be sent to [njhighlandsart@gmail.com](mailto:njhighlandsart@gmail.com).

All images must be submitted in digital jpeg format. Each image must be 72 dpi, sized between 1,000 – 1,600 pixels on its longest side, and must not exceed 2 megabytes. Photographs of paintings or drawings must be evenly lit, and accurately depict the work represented in color and detail, without artifacts such as shadows or reflections. For free-standing sculpture and carving, at least two images of each piece must be submitted, showing at least two different angles.

Images must be labeled with entrant’s Category (i.e., Adult or Youth), last name, first name, image number, title, medium, and outside dimensions (e.g.: Adult\_Smith\_John\_1\_Sunrise\_Lake\_Hopatcong\_Photo\_20x24in).

Submissions must include the following information in the body of the email: corresponding label information from above for each piece (category, last name, first name, image number, title, medium, and outside dimensions), followed by the entrant's email address, physical address and phone number. Please also include the location, if in the Highlands, and/or species depicted (remember, it must be native to the Highlands Region). Abstract artists are encouraged to provide a sentence or two on the work submitted and how it relates to the landscapes/flora/fauna/cultural resources of the Highlands.

Artists 18 years of age and older must include a copy of their Paypal receipt with their submission.

Please contact [sra@nihighlandscoalition.org](mailto:sra@nihighlandscoalition.org) with any questions.