



## 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Delaware State Employee Art Exhibition February 27 – March 22, 2024

Don't miss the chance to be recognized in Delaware for your creativity. Enter your artwork in [The Delaware State Employee Art Exhibition](#). Sponsored by [The National Arts Program®](#) in support and cooperation with the Delaware Division of the Arts, the exhibit is judged by professional artists and visual art professionals in Amateur, Intermediate, Professional, Teen, and Youth classifications, and it is **free to all**. The Delaware State Employee Art Exhibition is designed to give artists at all skill levels a unique opportunity to exhibit their creative work and to compete for **cash prizes**. Contact Dana Wise at the Division of the Arts, 302-577-8279, with any questions.

### Eligibility

- Participants must be a current, benefit-eligible employee, or immediate family member of a current, benefit-eligible employee (spouse, parent, sibling, child, grandchild), of the State of Delaware. (Participating Group Members are also eligible.)
- All entries must be the **original** work of the applicant **completed within the last three years**. **Not accepted:** Kits; paint-by-number pieces; photocopies or photographs of artwork; magazine or book illustrations; low resolution photographs and snapshots; artwork entered in previous years.
- The National Arts Program® and the Delaware Division of the Arts reserve the right to disqualify entries they consider to be unacceptable or inappropriate for a public exhibition.
- Limit **one** artwork per registered artist, no exceptions.

### Medium Categories

- Painting (oil, acrylics)
- Works on Paper (watercolor, pencil, ink, charcoal, pastel, marker, crayon, digital, or reproductions of your original work)
- Photography (black & white, color)
- Sculpture
- Craft (Ceramics, glasswork, jewelry, woodcarving, fiber, etc.)
- Mixed Media (visual art with more than one medium)

Artwork will be judged in the classification of the artist's selection. However, in some cases, the exhibition judges will make the final determination.

## Artist Categories

### Adult

**Amateur**—a person with little or no experience

**Intermediate**—a person with some experience/training

**Professional**—a person with advanced art training, or employed in an art-related job

### Youth/Teen

**Youth**—12 years and younger, **Teen**—13-18 years old

## Preparing Entries

- Submit only entries that fit into the listed medium categories
- Prepare an image of your artwork to submit as part of the registration process. For tips, view the **Artwork Submission Guidelines for Exhibition** video at [arts.delaware.gov/national-arts-program/](https://arts.delaware.gov/national-arts-program/)
- All work (excluding textiles) must measure no more than **40 inches** in any direction

## Registering Entries

**There are two steps to registering entries in the exhibition:**

1) **Register** online at [National Arts Program](https://nationalartsprogram.org/)

2) **Upload** an image of your artwork to the registration form

Entries should receive an email confirmation receipt within 3-5 working days.

If none is received, contact [Dana Wise](mailto:dana.wise@delaware.gov)

## Delivering Entries:

**All entries must be hand delivered to:**

Arts Center/Gallery -- Delaware State University

1200 N. DuPont Highway, Dover, DE 19901 (302.857.6697)

### Drop-off: February 12-17, 2024

Mon, Wed, Fri: 9:00am – 4:00pm; Tues, Thurs: 11:00am – 6:00pm

Sat: 12:00pm – 4:00pm

## Picking up Entries:

**All entries must be picked up at the Arts Center/Gallery (DSU)**

### Pick-up: March 23-28 and Tues, April 2, 2024

Mon, Wed, Fri: 9:00am – 4:00pm; Tues, Thurs 11:00 – 6:00pm; Sat 12:00pm – 4:00pm

***(artwork not picked up during this time may be donated)***

## Important Dates

Registration Opens – December 15

Registration Closes – January 29

Exhibit Dates – February 27-March 22

People's Choice Voting – February 27-March 20

Celebration/Reception – March 10

For more information and links visit [arts.delaware.gov/national-arts-program/](https://arts.delaware.gov/national-arts-program/)