



## 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Delaware State Employee Art Exhibition Opens February 15, 2021

**The exhibition will be virtual - all artists will submit an image of their work**

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 State of Delaware and 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 Virtual 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

## Submitting Entries

**There are two steps to submitting entries in the virtual exhibition:**

- 1) **Register** online at [National Arts Program](https://nationalartsprogram.org/)
- 2) **Email** an image (JPG, PNG, or TIFF) of your work to [delarts@delaware.gov](mailto:delarts@delaware.gov)
  - Type 'NAP Entry' in subject line
  - Include artist name, artist category, and title of work
  - Entries should receive an email confirmation receipt within 3-5 working days. If none is received, contact [Dana Wise](#)

## Important Dates

Registration Opens – December 11

Registration Closes – January 25

Virtual Exhibit Opens – February 15

People's Choice Voting – February 15-22

Awards Announced – February 23

(Possible Exhibition of Winning Artwork with Virtual Access at DSU Gallery – Late February)

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