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Call for Artists

**JURIED ARTS COMPETITION
SEPTEMBER 23rd - OCTOBER 3rd**

Artists of all ages are invited to apply for an open-themed, Juried Art Exhibition hosted by Trade Alley Art Gallery and held Tuesday, September 23rd through Friday, October 3rd, 2025. Trade Alley Art is a Fine Art Gallery located in the heart of Historic Downtown Hickory, North Carolina. Cash prizes totaling \$1200

ELIGIBILITY

- Entries must be original 2-D works of art completed within the last three years.
- 2-D works must not exceed 24" -not including frame.
- All 2-D work must be suitably framed (or sides cleanly finished or painted) and wired for wall hanging. No sawtooth hangers.
- Works on paper must be framed under glass or plexiglass.

ENTRY FEE

\$35.00 non-refundable fee for up to 3 works of art.

ACCEPTANCE

- Accepted work may be refused if it doesn't conform to entered image, or if it doesn't meet eligibility requirements.
- No substitutions.
- Work must remain in the gallery for the duration of the show.

JURY PROCEDURE

- First round selection will proceed by jury panel using digital images provided by artist.
- Notification of acceptance will be by email by September 9, 2025.
- Final award will be chosen by an independent judge.

AWARDS CEREMONY AND RECEPTION

- Location: Trade Alley Art Gallery, 25 2nd Street, Hickory, NC 28601. October 3rd, 2025 6-8pm.

AWARDS

- Best of Show--\$500.00, 2nd place--\$300.00, 3rd place--\$200.00
- Honorable Mention - 2 winners)--\$50.00 each
- People's choice award -- \$100.00

SALES

- Artwork does NOT have to be for sale.
- If for sale, mark with applicable pricing.
- Trade Alley Art will retain a 30% commission on all artwork sold during the show's duration.

DROP OFF AND RETURN

- All accepted work must be hand-delivered Tuesday, September 16th through Saturday, September 20th during gallery hours of 10am-5pm.
- Work must be removed immediately following the reception on October 3rd OR on Saturday, October 4th from 10-5pm.
- Trade Alley accepts no responsibility for work not retrieved by the pick-up date. After 30 days, the gallery may dispose of the work.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Deadline for entry: September 5th.**
- **Artist notification: by September 9th.**
- **Delivery of accepted art: September 16th -20th, 10am-5pm.**
- **Show opens: September 23rd.**
- **Reception and awards: October 3rd , 6-8pm.**
- **Show close: October 3rd.**
- **Pick-up art: After the reception on October 3rd or October 4th, from 10am-5pm.**

INQUIRIES

- For more information, please contact Carrie Graves at:
tradealleyart@gmail.com

TRADE ALLEY ART - CALL FOR ARTISTS - ENTRY FORM



ENTRY FORM—Entries will be accepted no later than September 5th, 2025.

1. **Fill out and sign entry form, including information for each submission.**
2. **Attach entry fee of non-refundable \$35.** (Cash, check, or online payment accepted.) Payment required at time of application. Make checks payable to Trade Alley Art.
3. **Attach up to 1 detailed images per entry piece.**
*Electronic file specifications: All entries must be submitted electronically. First round jurying will be done from JPEGs. File names formatted as: Last name, first name, title of artwork.
Before sending, please check all specifications and make sure files can be opened.
4. **Submit entry form and payment:**
Through email with images and photo of entry form to: Carrie Graves at tradealleyart@gmail.com.
In person at Trade Alley Art Gallery, 25 2nd Street NW, Hickory. (Images and photo of entry must still be submitted through email.)

Forms will be available at the website as will the PayPal option. www.tradealleyart.com.

Liability—Great care will be taken with all work, but artists are responsible for insuring their own pieces. Trade Alley Art will not be responsible for any loss or damage to work while on the premises or in transit to or from the gallery. The payment of the entry fee will serve as the acceptance of the terms and conditions stated in this prospectus.

TAA COMPETITION JUDGE—Samantha Oleschuk will be judging our competition. She is the Director of Community Engagement at the Florence Thomas Art School. She is a former curator at the Looking Glass Gallery at Appalachian State. Ms. Oleschuk holds a B.A. in Art and Visual Culture with a concentration in Art Management.

TRADE ALLEY ART JURIED ARTS EXHIBIT ENTRY FORM

(Please complete all fields)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT THIS COMPETITION? _____

SIGNATURE: _____

PAYMENT METHOD		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CASH	CHECK	PAYPAL

Three allowable entries per submission form. Please complete all fields for each artwork entry.

ARTWORK #1 _____

TITLE: _____

MEDIUM: _____

UNFRAMED DIMENSION (height x width): _____

PRICE: _____

ARTWORK #2 _____

TITLE: _____

MEDIUM: _____

UNFRAMED DIMENSION (height x width): _____

PRICE: _____

ARTWORK #3 _____

TITLE: _____

MEDIUM: _____

UNFRAMED DIMENSION (height x width): _____

PRICE: _____