

Art & Sol Studios presents Figure & Portrait Juried Exhibition

Art & Sol Studios is having an Open Call to Artist Juried Online Art Exhibition for our Ocular Art Magazine September Issue. We encourage entries from all 2D/3D artists regardless of their experience or education in the art field. This is a national and international competition and everyone is encouraged to participate. Artists should submit their best representational and non-representational art of different Mediums. This competition will be judged within three categories; Paintings, Drawings and Mixed Media. Awards will be given for the Best of Show, 1st and 2nd Place in each category. In addition, depending on the amount and the quality of all submissions received, Honorable Recognition awards will also be presented.

- Eligibility:
- Must be original work to the artist.
 - The artist must be willing to sell their work (print or original).
 - All work must be available in both low resolution as well as high resolution form. For the purposes of this competition, low resolution files should be sent and not exceed 10 MB. High resolution files will be required for print media for which your work may be selected.
- Timeline:
- Deadline for Receiving Entries: August 5, 2016
 - Competition Results are Posted: August 8, 2016
 - Publication: September Issue
- Categories
- **Paintings**
Juror: Christina Madison
B.A in Business & Visual Arts Purdue University, Owner/Curator of Art & Sol Studios
 - **Drawings**
Juror: Salim Cortes
B.A in Visual Arts Columbus College of Art & Design, Curator
 - **Mixed Media**
Juror: Miguel Hine
B.A in Visual Arts Maryland Institute College of Art, Gallery Resident Artist, Curator
- Entry Fee:
- \$40 for all images up to 3

Prizes:

Best of Show Receives:

- Cover Page with 6 Page Spread in our September issue of Ocular Art Magazine
- \$300 Cash Reward
- Chance to Exhibit Chosen Artwork in Art & Sol Studios Art Gallery

First Place Receives (Per Category):

- Four page spread in our September Issue of Ocular Art magazine
- \$150 Cash Reward
- Chance To Exhibit Chosen Artwork in Art & Sol Studios Art Gallery

Honorable Mentions Receives (3 Per Category):

- One Page Spread in our September Issue of Ocular Art Magazine

Image Preparation: Digital images only are accepted.

Please size the image so that the longest side measures at least 2400 pixels but no larger than 3600 pixels with 300 dpi resolution.

Name the files: Your lastnamefirstinitial_titleofpaintingcategory (i.e. smithj_spotteddogsurrealism). All lower case: Do not put spaces between words in the title. Save the files as a .jpg or .jpeg file at “high” or “maximum” quality (9, 10, 11 or 12). (Hint: If the file size ends up being less than 1MB, it won’t be acceptable.

Any images that do not meet these specifications may be disqualified and discarded without being considered by the jurors. Images should ONLY be of the artwork - do not include matting, frame, etc. in the image – in focus, uniformly lighted and undistorted by camera angle etc. These are the images that will be used if your art is selected for the exhibit book and website: Be sure they are good!

No slides, photographs and/or printouts. Only .jpg images conforming to these standards will be considered and must be submitted online per instructions posted here.

Entries: Only online submissions are accepted: Mailed or delivered entries on CD/DVD/flash drives are NOT accepted. Artists May enter all artwork, Art & Sol Studios will make selections based on collection. Membership fees can be found on the website.

Preliminary Jurying: Selection of finalists will be based on digital images. Finalists will be selected by a committee of qualified art professionals. Awards Jurors will be respected, highly qualified artist/instructors, curators or collectors of note. Images submitted must represent the actual work to be delivered to the gallery. Art & Sol Studios reserves the right to withhold awards if jurors deem submitted entries to be below minimum standards of excellence. Jury decisions are final.

Exhibit Catalogs: We will publish a full-color catalog of entries submitted to this competition the issue is to be released in September and runs bi-monthly. (finalists, alternates and a selection of other meritorious entries).

Presentation (for in-gallery exhibits only): All entries must be suitably framed and wired for hanging (no clips or saw-tooth hangers). Gallery-Wrap canvas or cradled panel is acceptable as long as the sides are neatly painted/finished. No staples can be visible on the sides of the canvas. Any work with inadequate, improper or damaged framing may be returned to the artist without being hung in the show or considered for awards at the gallery director’s discretion.

Delivery/Shipping (for in-gallery exhibits only): Works on paper must be framed and glazed (Plexiglas recommended). Finalists will ship or deliver works to Art & Sol Studios for the Awards Exhibit. Shipped work must be sent in a reusable container. The artist is responsible for the cost of shipping to and from Art & Sol Studios. Pre-paid labels or a credit card number for return shipping must be included in the shipping container with the artwork. INTERNATIONAL ARTISTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL CUSTOMS CHARGES/DUTIES and the appropriate forms for the return of their artwork must be included in the shipping container.

Sales: Work needs for sale to be eligible for the exhibition. Art & Sol Studios will make every effort to encourage sale of work available for purchase. Finalists will receive a consignment agreement. Art & Sol Studios will retain a 30% commission for all sales of work from this exhibition. Payment for sales will be mailed to the artist within 30 days of the close of the exhibit. Liability: For in-gallery exhibits, Artists should insure their hand-delivered or shipped work, Art & Sol Studios, LLC

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