

## **Art Alliance of Idyllwild Art Show Overview**

Art in Idyllwild is unique. For such a small isolated area, we have a wide variety of innovative artists. This is an asset to the community, but becomes a challenge when attempting to categorize the entries. The listed categories presented here have been chosen to most represent this unique variety while keeping the groupings large enough to insure adequate competition when judged.

### **Ribbons**

- Ribbons for each judged show will include:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Place for each category
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place for each category
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place for each category
  - Best of Show (optional)
  - People's Choice (optional)
- Exceptions include:
  - If there is a tie for first place, two first places will be awarded, followed by a third place; no second place will be awarded.
  - If there are fewer than six entries for a category, only one award will be given.
- If the competition has a mandatory theme, an additional honorary mention ribbon may be awarded at the discretion of the event chair by the judge.
- Best of Show recipients will be invited to the annual invitation only Appreciation Event.

### **Judges**

- For each judge art show, the judge(s) will be selected by the event chair and approved by the Art Alliance of Idyllwild Board Members.
- Judges will not have access to the names of the artists when judging.
- The placement of the ribbons/prizes for each category will be determined by the judge(s) and will be considered final.
- When possible, the judge's notes will be available to participants; in some cases, the judge may decide to critique winners only.
- Announcement of judges will be done during and after event to ensure they remain anonymous.

## Judged Art Show Requirements

In order to participate in an Art Alliance of Idyllwild judged art show, all registered artists agree to the following:

- Artists must be a member of Art Alliance of Idyllwild in good standing in order to participate.
- No walk-in artwork will be accepted. Each show will have a deadline set for registration. All registration for shows must be done on-line via the Art Alliance of Idyllwild's website.
- All images and designs must be original creations of the artist.
- Art and images entered into AAI judged shows cannot have been previously entered in an AAI judged show during the previous 5 years.
- All entries must specify medium used, which will be put on the art tags placed with judged artwork (e.g. Computer Generated Digital Art, Watercolor/Ink Mixed Media, etc.).
- All pieces entered in show must be for sale. A completed W-9 is required for all art sold.
- Hanging Artwork
  - Maximum width or height of hanging artwork for judged show is not to exceed 36" (frame included), unless the event chairs elect to change the size restrictions.
  - Any hanging artwork that exceeds 35 pounds in weight is to be approved in advance by the event chair.
  - No saw-tooth hangers. All work must have D-Rings (no screw eyes) and wire (with ends taped) that is strong enough for the weight of the piece.
  - Frames must be clean and in good condition.
  - Whenever feasible for framed artwork, submitted piece should have artist's name, telephone number, name of piece, price and medium on the back-right corner.
- At the discretion of the Event Chair, artists may be given the option to provide a 40-word description to capture such things as process, inspiration, materials used, etc. Descriptions must be submitted prior to show as outlined in event description posted on AAI website. Submission by artist is optional.
- Artists will be given a choice during registration to allow buyers to remove purchased artwork prior to the end of the show and replacing it with a piece of equal size or smaller. Artwork may not be removed before the end of a show unless it has been sold, the buyer is unable to wait, and the artist has given permission for it to be removed. If the artist elects to keep sold artwork hanging, artist will be responsible for coordinating logistics with the buyer and paying all applicable shipping costs.
- AAI actively promotes our shows and encourages participating artists to do so as well by sending out emails to their contacts and posting/sharing information on Facebook and other social media.

## Art Show Categories

### **3-D Art:**

**Includes ceramics, wood, clay, marble, metal, glass, fiber art (non-wearable), bas relief, assemblage**

- (See Judged Art Show Requirements.)
- Artists wishing to enter over-sized pieces that may be difficult to display and/or move must contact the event chair to ensure the piece can be accommodated.

## **2-D ART:**

**Includes oil, acrylic, water media, pastel, pencil, charcoal, ink, print making, and/or mixed media combination of any of these mediums.**

- (See Judged Art Show Requirements.)
- Art must be dry and ready to hang.
- No giclee prints or types of reproductions will be accepted for judging.
- Oils and acrylics must be framed or canvas wrapped with painted sides. Other works must be framed under glass.

## **Wearable Art:**

**Includes jewelry, fiber art, painted fabrics, purses, and leather work items.**

- (See Judged Art Show Requirements.)
- All designs must be original artist creations - no kits, commercial patterns, or workshop projects.
- Pedestals will be provided. If additional display supports are needed (e.g. necklace stand, body form, armatures, etc.) it is the responsibility of the artist to provide them. If artist wants returned, they are to label display with their name and phone number.

## **Photography and Digital Art:**

**Includes original photography (digital, film, and alternative photographic processes) which may be printed directly onto photo paper, wood, canvas, metal or any other suitable material.**

- (See Judged Art Show Requirements.)
- Canvas should be gallery wrapped or framed.
- Photo paper should be under glass and framed.
- If foam or Masonite is used in framing and edges show, edges must be finished.
- Post-processing (via computer editing program, traditional darkroom, or in-camera) to enhance an image is allowed.
- Digital art includes pieces in which a computer program was used to create the image rather than to merely enhance original camera image(s) taken by artist. Digital art is allowed.
- Artists in this category will be required to specify one of the following mediums. Selection of the medium is at the sole decision of the artist. Additional 40-word description is optional.
  1. Minimal or no manipulation of original image(s) taken by artist
  2. Notable manipulation of original image(s) taken by artist
  3. Computer generated digital art

## Limited Liability Waiver

Participating artists in all Art Alliance of Idyllwild (AAI) events limit the liability of the Art Alliance of Idyllwild, their directors, and any event partners upon registering. This includes the following:

- Artist warrants that he or she is the sole creator of the artwork, is the owner of the artwork and all of the rights under copyright in the artwork and has full authority to loan the artwork. The Artist also warrants that, to the best of their information and belief, nothing in the artwork defames any person or entity, infringes any copyright, or otherwise violates the rights of any third party. The artist agrees to indemnify, defend and hold AAI, their directors, and any event partners harmless from any liability (including attorney's fees and the costs of defending any actions) arising out of any claim by any individual, institution, or other person claiming full or partial title or copyright to the artwork.
- The Artist acknowledges and agrees that AAI, their directors, and any event partners shall not be responsible for providing insurance or security for exhibits including, without limitation, set up, operation and teardown of the exhibits. The artist indemnifies and holds harmless AAI, their directors, and event partners from and against loss, claims, damages, liability, and lawsuits arising out of the exhibition of its artwork. AAI and event partners will take all reasonable steps to protect all artwork while on display.
- If AAI, their directors, or any event partners are made party in a lawsuit, arbitration proceedings or mediation involving the exhibition of the artist's artwork, the artist shall be responsible for all costs incurred, including attorney fees, arbitration proceedings, or mediation.
- The artist grants AAI and the location host permission to photograph and/or videotape the artwork, exhibit and special events for promotional purposes, and to work with the media in doing the same. When attending an AAI event, artists enter an area where photography, interviews, and audio and video recording may occur. By attending events, artists consent to these activities and the use of these materials for news, web casts, promotional purposes, telecasts, advertising, inclusion on websites or publications, in exhibits, or for any other marketing purpose by the Art Alliance of Idyllwild. The Art Alliance of Idyllwild, its representatives and volunteers, and each and all persons involved in an event are waived on any liability connected with such activities and artist waives claims of payment or royalties in connection with such activities.
- The Artist grants to AAI and the location host the right to display their artwork and to use images of the artwork in promotional materials before, during and after the exhibit. All other copyright privileges shall remain the sole and exclusive property of the Artist.