

# Shrode Fine Art & Craft Competition and Exhibit

## Eligibility:

This is a juried competition open to all artists 18 years of age and older living in southern Illinois, south of Interstate 70, including Charleston, IL area.

## Accepted Media and Specifications:

All painting, drawing, printmaking, clay, fiber, mixed media, wood, fine jewelry, sculpture, metal, etc.

No Photography - There will be a Photography Competition for photographic film and digital photographs October 5, 2025 - January 11, 2026

- All work must be original work of entrant, executed within the past **three years** (2022 to present) and not exhibited in any previous Cedarhurst/Shrode Art Center competition or exhibition.
- Work **NOT** acceptable: work copied from published/recognizable artwork or photographs; items assembled from kits or pre-cut/ pre-cast material; work produced in/ based on another artist's workshop or class; work that is a print of your original art piece; work unsuitable for family viewing.
- **All 2-dimensional and wall-mounted work must be presented in a professional manner; ready for hanging, with a braided wire or sturdy support attached on the back.** Do **NOT** use saw-tooth hangers, string, tape or aluminum wire! **Use braided wire specifically made for the weight of the artwork.**

**ARTWORK WILL BE REJECTED (AND ENTRY FEE FORFEITED) IF THE ABOVE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS ARE NOT MET.**

## Judging:

Each year Cedarhurst invites a different established fine arts professional, such as a regional university professor or museum curator, to serve as judge for our competition.

The judge views each entry, one at a time, and selects works to be included in our exhibition.

Finally, the top award winners are selected and announced the night of the opening reception March 29, 2025.

# Submission Instructions | Deadlines

## SUBMISSION FORMAT and DELIVERY

ALL submissions for the competition must be **DIGITAL** and received at Shrode Art Center no later than **Wednesday, February 26, 2025.**

- Digital images must be JPEG or TIFF files
- Each image must be identified with the artist's last name and entry number (1, 2, or 3)
- **NOTE!** Entry form and digital submissions preferred via Google Docs. You can fill out your entry form, easily upload your images, and pay your entry fee all online this year! To enter online go to: **cedarhurst.org/call-for-entries**
- Images on a (non-returnable) USB flash drive also accepted.

**Entry Fee:** Each artist may submit up to 3 entries\* with the Entry Form for a onetime, non-refundable **\$25 entry fee (Cedarhurst members \$20).**

**\*Entry Quantity:** Each Artist may enter up to 2 Entry Forms (entry fee \$ x 2)

EXAMPLE: 2 Entry Forms x 3 art images per form = 6 submissions entered for judging

**Publicity Disclosure:** By submitting your entry, you thereby give Cedarhurst permission to use images of any of your work accepted for the exhibit, for marketing/ publicity in regional newspapers, social media and the Cedarhurst website.

**Acceptance Notification:** A list of accepted works will be e-mailed to artists by the end of the day on **Wednesday, March 5, 2025.**

Works accepted for the exhibition must be delivered to Shrode Art Center **by Friday, March 21.** (10 am-4 pm)

## Exhibition Schedule:

March 29 – June 15, 2025. Artwork cannot be removed before the exhibit closes.

**Post Exhibit Pick-Up:** Artwork must be picked up during the week of June 17 - 21, 2025. 10 am-4 pm. Cedarhurst/ Shrode Art Center is not responsible for entries after June 27, 2025.

# Awards /Opening Reception:

**Saturday, March 29, 2025**

**Reception: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

**Award Presentation: 6 pm Mitchell Museum**

## AWARDS:

- ❖ Best of Show - \$500
- ❖ Best of 2-Dimensional - \$250
- ❖ Best of 3-Dimensional - \$250
- ❖ Honorable Mention (2 awarded) - \$175
- ❖ Merit Certificates may be given at the Judges discretion.

**For questions about the competition contact:**  
tracy@cedarhurst.org | 618.242.1236 x 248



**Entry form available at**  
cedarhurst.org/call-for-entries/  
or find us on **Facebook** for a link to the Entry Form



cedarhurst  
CENTER FOR THE ARTS

2600 Richview Road  
Mt. Vernon, IL  
618.242.1236

HOURS:  
Tues.-Sat. 10 am to 5 pm  
Sun. 1 to 5 pm

## Quick Reference 2025 Schedule:

- **Entry Deadline: Wednesday, February 26**
- **Acceptance Notification: Wednesday, March 5**
- **Accepted Works Drop-off Deadline: Friday, March 21**
- **Opening Reception and Awards Announcement: Saturday, March 29**
- **Exhibition Dates: March 29 through June 15**
- **Exhibit Art Chat: Thursday, June 12 (during TNL) - 6:15pm**
- **Post Exhibit Art Pick Up: June 17 - June 21**

# Entry Submission Form



Scan **CODE**  
to enter online

## Submit to:

Shrode Art Center at Cedarhurst  
Fine Art & Craft Competition  
P.O. Box 923 | 2600 Richview Rd. | Mt. Vernon, IL 62864

### ENTRY # 1:

Artwork Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Year Completed \_\_\_\_\_ Media \_\_\_\_\_

Sale Price\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Insurance Value\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Artwork Dimensions: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Info: \_\_\_\_\_

### ENTRY # 2:

Artwork Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Year Completed \_\_\_\_\_ Media \_\_\_\_\_

Sale Price\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Insurance Value\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Artwork Dimensions: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Info: \_\_\_\_\_

### ENTRY # 3:

Artwork Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Year Completed \_\_\_\_\_ Media \_\_\_\_\_

Sale Price\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Insurance Value\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Artwork Dimensions: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Info: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Indicate if your work is "FOR SALE" with price listed, or "NFS" if work is not for sale. Even if it is "NFS", you must assign a value for insurance purposes. Cedarhurst does NOT take a commission on works sold during the exhibit*

Artist Name \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Non-Profit Org.  
U.S. Postage  
**PAID**  
Mt. Vernon, IL  
62864  
Permit No. 458

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Digital Entry Deadline:  
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ON EXHIBIT MARCH 29 - JUNE 15, 2025  
REGENHARDT GALLERY - SHRODE ART CENTER