



VSA Wisconsin

Call For Art

The Program

Each year, VSA Wisconsin solicits artwork from Wisconsin artists with disabilities. From April 13 through May 2 work by all artists who submit to the Call for Art will be displayed in *Visual Expressions: A Call for Art Exhibition*. This exhibition will be open to the public and many pieces will be for sale. Artists' submissions are reviewed by a jury of arts professionals who look for creativity, originality, and craftsmanship. Jurors select ten artworks that will be added to *Creative Power: VSA Wisconsin's Traveling Exhibition*.

Eligibility

Open to Wisconsin residents ages 5 and up who have a behavioral, cognitive, learning, physical disability and/or a mental illness. A disability is defined as an impairment that substantially limits a major life activity.

Submissions

Artwork may be mailed to or dropped off at the following address, Mon-Thurs 9 am-5 pm, until **February 9, 2015**.

VSA Wisconsin
1709 Aberg Avenue, Suite 1
Madison, WI 53704

Artwork will be returned in the same manner it was received. **If art is mailed, include a check to VSA Wisconsin for return postage along with the entry form (artists who receive purchase awards or whose work is sold, will not be refunded for return postage).** If the art is dropped off, the artist must make arrangements to pick it up after May 11, 2015. **Mark your calendar, as VSA Wisconsin will not make reminder calls. Artwork that is not retrieved by June 30, 2015 will become VSA Wisconsin's property.**

Use the entry form below to submit one artwork. The entry form may be copied or downloaded (vsawis.org). **Questions?** Call 608-241-2131

Guidelines

1. Individuals may submit one artwork, no more than 24 x 36" or 20 lb. Video or digital cinema must be 1-4 minutes.
2. Artist's name, title, and price (if applicable) should be clearly marked on the back of the artwork.
3. Artwork must be created by the artist. (Assistance, as necessary, is acceptable.)
4. Artwork must be original, not a copy or reproduction. Artwork is not considered original if kits, molds, or other patterns are used.
5. Each artist must submit a brief written statement. Why do you create? What is your inspiration for the art work submitted? Place statement on the back of the entry form.
6. All artwork must be of durable material able to withstand transporting and the normal daily exposure in a public setting. Acceptable media may include: collage, digital media, drawings, paintings, photography, prints, ceramics, sculpture, and textiles.
7. Artists who have received purchase awards within the past three years are not eligible for purchase awards in 2015, although they are eligible for other awards.
8. **Young Adult and Adult submissions** can be sold during the exhibition. **VSA Wisconsin retains 30% or a minimum of \$10 of total sales.** Artists whose sales total \$10 or less will receive no payment. Artists will receive payment from VSA Wisconsin no later than 30 days after receipt of payment from the purchaser and submission of a completed Form W-9 (Request for Taxpayer Identification Number Certification) from the artist.

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Calendar

Submission Deadline: February 9, 2015

Entries Exhibition: April 13 - May 2, 2015

Notification of Award Recipients:
April 13, 2015 (posted at vsawis.org)

Madison Gallery Night May 1, 2015; 5-9 pm

Public Reception: May 2, 2015; 2-4 pm

Artwork Return: May 11, 2015

Last day to pick up art: June 30, 2015.
No reminder will be sent.

Awards

Purchase

Selected artworks become the property of VSA Wisconsin and are exhibited statewide for three years.

- Youth: 4 recipients, \$50 gift certificates for art supplies
- Young Adults: 2 recipients, \$100 monetary awards
- Adults: 4 recipients, \$375 monetary awards

Merit

- Youth: 1 recipient, \$25 gift certificate for art supplies
- Young Adults: 1 recipient, \$50 monetary award
- Adults: 1 recipient, \$100 monetary award

Additional artists will receive Viewer's Choice awards.

Entry Form

Postmark or deliver by
February 9, 2015

Artist

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone (____) _____ - _____
 Email _____
 First time entrant? yes no
 Disability Information _____
 Adaptations or techniques used because of disability:

Youth (ages 5-15) Age _____

Young Adult (ages 16-21)

Adult (ages 22 +)

I do not want to be considered for a purchase award

Title _____

Medium _____

Price * _____

***Only adult and young adult work will be for sale. See guideline number 8.**

✂ ENCLOSE THIS PAGE WITH ARTWORK

Parent/Guardian (required if under 18 or legal guardianship)

Name _____
 Relationship to artist _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone (____) _____ - _____ Alternate Phone (____) _____ - _____
 Email _____

Person Submitting Artwork (if other than the artist)

Name _____
 Relationship to artist _____
 School or organization _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone (____) _____ - _____ Email _____
 Are you new to this program? yes no
 Is your organization new to the program? yes no

I certify that I am the producer of the artwork listed and said artwork is original. I agree to the use of my name, hometown, school, age, photo, disability information, artist statement, and artwork by VSA Wisconsin in fundraising, public awareness materials and media without compensation or prior notification. I understand that, should my art sell, VSA Wisconsin retains 30% or a minimum of \$10 of total sales. I understand that any hand delivered artwork not selected for an award must be picked up by June 30, 2015, or the artwork will become property of VSA Wisconsin. I understand that VSA Wisconsin will take all reasonable precautions in the handling of my artwork, but is not responsible for loss or damage due to breakage, shipping, or any activity related to the Call for Art. **I agree that artwork selected by VSA Wisconsin for purchase awards will become the sole and exclusive property of VSA Wisconsin** and that it will become part of VSA Wisconsin's traveling exhibition for three years, after which it may be used as a recognition gift or sold by VSA Wisconsin. I understand that VSA Wisconsin will pay all monetary awards in the form of checks written to artists only and not to third parties. I understand that I, the artist, must complete and forward Form W-9 to VSA Wisconsin before the check will be cut. If I fail to complete and forward Form W-9, the artwork will still become the property of VSA Wisconsin, and I will not receive a monetary award. I understand VSA Wisconsin may modify purchased artwork to protect and preserve it while in the traveling exhibition.

Signature of Artist _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____
(required if under 18 or legal guardianship)

Artist Statement Required

See guideline number 5

If artwork is mailed, please include a check to VSA Wisconsin for return postage.

Amount enclosed \$ _____ Check # _____

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2015 Call for Art

Entry Deadline:
February 9, 2015

Visual Expressions:
A Call for Art Exhibition
April 13–May 2, 2015

Express Yourself!



Taryn Benheim with her award winning painting



Be part
of a public
exhibition

Submit a work
of art to
VSA Wisconsin's
2015 Call for Art

Visual Expressions: A Call for Art Exhibition

Each artist submitting work to the 2015 VSA Wisconsin Call for Art will have their work of art displayed. Invite family and friends to the exhibition!

Exhibition: April 13–May 2, 2015

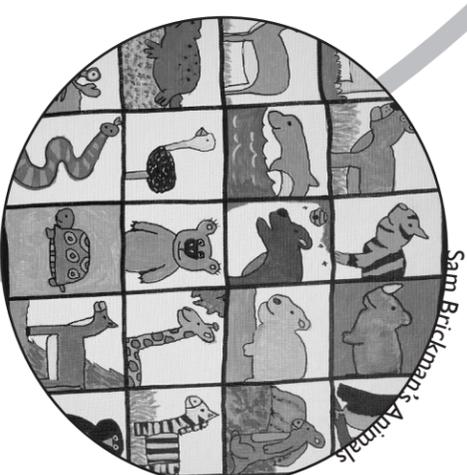
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Madison, WI 53704

M-Th: 9 am - 4 pm
Or by appointment

Madison Gallery Night:
Friday, May 1, 2015; 5-9 pm

Public Reception:
Saturday, May 2, 2015; 2-4 pm

Visual Expressions is free and open to the public. Many works of art by adult and young adult artists will be for sale. For more information or to schedule a viewing, call 608-241-2131 or contact sandra@vsawis.org



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on Arts and Disability

The mission of VSA Wisconsin is to expand the capabilities, confidence, and quality of life for children and adults with disabilities by providing programs in dance, drama, creative writing, music and visual art. Generous support has been provided by the Department of Public Instruction, through a federal discretionary grant, Xcel Energy Foundation, Pleasant T. Rowland Foundation, Capital Times Kids Fund, Kikkoman Foods Foundation and Herbert H. Kohl Charities, Inc.