



Richardson Civic Art Society

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PROSPECTUS

RCAS 58th ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP SHOW **September 25 to October 30, 2023**

ELIGIBILITY

- RCAS is funded in part by the City of Richardson through the Richardson Cultural Arts Commission
- This exhibit is open to RCAS members, age 18 and over.
- This show is limited to three entries per artist.
- Artwork must be original, executed within the past two years, without instructor supervision, and must not be copies of artwork, photographs or publications by persons other than the artist; even with permission.
- Artwork which includes nudes, conspicuously religious or blatant political statements will not be accepted.
- Artwork must not have won a previous award at a major juried RCAS show such as another Member Show or the Regional Show. This requirement does not apply to artwork that has won awards at either RCAS Art of the Month or the RCAS Summer Sale.
- RCAS reserves the right to refuse any entry.
- Entry into this exhibit implies acceptance of all requirements specified in this prospectus.

SHOW REQUIREMENTS & RESTRICTIONS

- If selected, entrants are obligated to exhibit their work during the entire show.
- Multiple painting series must be separated and will be judged individually.
- Items not for sale must be marked NFS.
- A 10% commission on all sales shall be submitted by the artist to RCAS. In addition, a 15% commission is also required payable to the City of Richardson. This commission must be paid to the City within 10 days of the show closing.
- Artists are responsible for paying state sales taxes.
- The Artist is responsible for shipping arrangements with buyers.
- Accepted entries shall imply a release of winning images to be displayed on the RCAS website, RCAS Facebook page or other publications advertising RCAS.

- Artists may qualify for up to three awards (only one per category).
- Awards are given at the discretion of the juror. The juror's decision is final.

ARTWORK CATEGORIES

Categories for the membership show include:

- Oil/Acrylic on Canvas or Hard Surface
- Water Media on Paper
- Collage/Mixed Media including Digital/photographic Art
- Pastels/Graphics

Collage/Mixed Media category's source materials must be original, created by the artist with less than 10% consisting of published images. This category includes multi-dimensional art of all mediums (e.g., wood, fabric, wire, paper, and mosaics). Depth is limited to 5 inches deep and must weigh less than 10 pounds. This category does not include free-standing assemblages or sculptures. Digital /Photographic Art includes all forms of photography, enhanced photographs, and digital art originating on the computer or digital collage. Size and framing must be consistent with other art categories. All components of images must be originally captured / created by the artist and cannot include company logos and not used for commercial purposes.

Graphics are limited to charcoals, pen & ink, colored & graphite pencils, crayons, woodcuts, etchings, and hand pulled prints. Alcohol ink will be included in the Water Media category.

JUROR



Liz Bonham

Liz started her career as a pastel portrait artist at Six Flags when she was 15. She continued her art education with a BFA, post graduate work and private study. Liz holds signature status in numerous organizations and a slew of awards. View her website at liz-bonham.com.

ENTRY PROCESS

The entry form will be accepted online at the RCAS website at <http://www.richardson-arts.org>. Refer to the top menu bar, go to Exhibitions and then click on RCAS 58th Annual Membership Show.

If you are paying with check, make sure you click on the Check Payment form on the 2023 RCAS Membership Show page.

A digital picture of each piece of artwork must be submitted online at the RCAS website. No mat, frame or extraneous material should appear other than the artwork. For best results, make sure the longest side of your image is between 1200 pixels and 2000 pixels (max), saved as a .jpg format and less than 2 MB in size.

Please use the following naming convention when submitting artwork. Artist's First Name (hyphen) Artist's Last Name (hyphen) Artwork Title (hyphen) and Category. For example, Jane Doe is submitting an oil painting titled Sunset on Lake. The file name would be Jane-Doe-Sunset-On-Lake-Oil.jpg. This will save administrative time and is greatly appreciated.

FRAMING REQUIREMENTS

1. All artwork must be framed and wired for hanging with D-Rings. This is required to attach to our gallery hanging system on wires attached to floor panels. No sawtooth hangers, clip frames or eye hooks will be accepted. See example picture of a D-Ring below.



2. Gallery-wrapped paintings will be accepted, but the sides of the canvas must be painted with no staples showing.
3. No glass within the frames except for pastels and charcoal artwork.
4. Plexiglass or acrylic within the frames is acceptable.
5. The minimum artwork size is 8 inches by 10 inches.
6. The maximum frame size is 48 inches on any side.
7. Collage/Mixed Media Depth is limited to 5 inches deep and must weigh less than 10 pounds.

ENTRY FEES

RCAS MEMBERS: \$35 for one entry, \$45 for two entries, or \$55 for three entries.

Non-members may join prior to entering this exhibit by going to the Richardson Civic Art Society website at <http://richardson-arts.org/membership/join-rcas/>. **All fees are non-refundable.**

AWARDS PER CATEGORY

Best of Show	\$150.00
First Place, each category	\$100.00
Second Place, each category	\$75.00
Third Place, each category	\$50.00
Honorable Mention, 5 at juror's discretion	\$25.00

2023 CALENDAR

Monday, August 21, 2023	Call for Entries Open
Friday, Sept. 15, 2023, 8 pm CT	Entry Submission Deadline (No late entries).
Monday, September 25, 2023	Drop off artwork at the Eisemann Center between the hours of 2:00 and 4:00PM
Tuesday, October 17, 2023 6:00PM to 8:30PM	Award ceremony will be presented at the RCAS member meeting at Tower 2600.

Monday, October 30, 2023

Show closes. Pick up artwork at the Eise-
mann Center between the hours of 2:00PM
and 4:00PM.

The Membership Show Chair reserves the right to reduce the number of Awards in any Category or combine two smaller Categories if there are too few entries. Merchandise awards will be distributed equitably among the categories at the judge's discretion.

LIABILITY

Artists should carry their own insurance. Reasonable care will be taken with original art. The City of Richardson, the Richardson Library, RCAS or its officers or volunteers will not be responsible for the loss, theft, breakage or damage of any artworks submitted. **Entry implies artist's acceptance of this policy.**

AGREEMENT

Entering this exhibition shall be understood to constitute an agreement on the part of the artist to all rules and conditions as set forth in this prospectus.

Questions may be addressed to the RCAS Membership Show Chair:

**Mickey Archer
(972) 974-2660
michaelarcher7@gmail.com**

**2023 MEMBERSHIP SHOW
MAIL-IN-PAYMENT FORM**

Artist's Name: _____ Street: _____

City: _____ State & Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Number of Entries (Limit 3): _____

FEES: \$35 for one entry, \$45 for two entries, or \$55 for three entries.

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You can find the membership application form online at <http://richardson-arts.org/PDF/MemberShipApplication.pdf>.

Amount Enclosed: _____ Check Number: _____ Date: _____

Make check payable to: Richardson Civic Art Society

Send to RCAS Treasurer: P.O. Box 831027, Richardson, TX 75083