

# CALL TO ARTISTS

## Nutcracker Winter Art Show



**DATE:** November 15-25, 2024  
**HOST:** By the Art League of Loveland (ALL)  
**LOCATION:** Loveland Art Studios on Main (LASM)  
529 Main St., Loveland, OH 45140

**SHOW CONCEPT:** A formal art show featuring seasonal artwork and hand-decorated wooden nutcrackers.

**SHOW HOST:** The Art League of Loveland (ALL) is hosting the show as a way to promote Art and Artists in Loveland.

**FREE NUTCRACKERS!** Nutcrackers are free to local Artists! A \$25 deposit will be required when the nutcracker is chosen and picked up. This deposit will be returned to the Artist when the finished, decorated nutcracker is delivered to ALL by Nov 1. Artists are encouraged to freely create their own "nutcracker style."

**ARTIST BENEFIT:** Art League of Loveland (ALL) members will receive 70% of the proceeds from the sale of their nutcracker, and 30% will be donated to ALL. Non-member artists will receive 60% of the proceeds, with 40% donated to ALL. Nutcrackers left at the end of the show, will be on display at LASM's annual Children's Art Show & Resident Reception (Saturday, December 14). Any remaining nutcrackers after that event will become the property of the Artist.

**ARTIST PARTICIPANT MEETINGS:** There will be three meetings open to participants:

**MEETING #1: Wednesday, July 10, 6 PM at LASM:** *This is a show information and nutcracker selection meeting. Deposit for the nutcrackers will be taken (\$25/Checks made to Art League of Loveland). Participants will learn more about nutcrackers/smokers, receive tips for decorating their nutcracker, and be shown traditionally decorated nutcrackers and materials that are available to them, with a Q&A to follow.*

**MEETING #2: Thursday, July 25, 6-9 PM at LASM.** *This is a nutcracker community decorating session. Let's play with our nutcrackers, share ideas, and get inspired! Participants should bring art supplies (paints, brushes, stain, fabric, whatever they wish to use and share), snacks, refreshments, and (of course) their nutcracker. Resource information will be available.*

**MEETING #3: Monday, September 9, 6-9 PM at LASM.** *This session shows participants how to finish their nutcracker, such as cutting and applying the hair (rabbit, fox, and mink fur was traditionally used) and adding, leather, felt, fabric, and hand-made embellishments for final touches. Please bring decorative items to share. Decorative fur will be provided and alternatives for hair discussed. (Note: Sealing the nutcracker before adding hair and some accessories is recommended, but it is up to the artists to create their masterpieces.)*

**NUTCRACKER WINTER ART SHOW TIMELINE:** November 15-25, 2024

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| Fri., Nov. 15         | 6-9 PM        | OPENING RECEPTION (snacks & light drinks)  |
| Sat.-Sun., Nov. 16-17 | 10 AM-4 PM    | Artistic activities TBD.   |
| Mon.-Fri., Nov. 18-22 | 10 AM-5 PM    | Volunteers staff hours.  |
| Fri.-Sun., Nov. 23-24 | 10 AM-4 PM    | Artistic activities TBD.   |
| Mon., Nov. 25         | 10 AM-6:30 PM | FINAL DAY OF SHOW (10 AM-4 PM)<br><i>Show will be taken down at 4 PM, and purchasers can collect their artwork from 4-6:30 PM.</i> |
| Tuesday, Nov 26       | 1-6 PM        | Purchasers can pick up their artwork.  |

### OTHER IMPORTANT DATES:

Wed., Sept. 25: *Artists provide finished nutcrackers and seasonal artwork for photographing to promote the show.*  
Fri., Nov. 1: *Artists submit their finished nutcrackers with artist information & price.*  
Thurs., Nov. 7: *Artists showing seasonal artwork provide artist information & price.*  
Mon.-Tues., Nov. 11-12: *Show set up.*

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