Call for Entries

Cowboys and Critters

VAL Member's Only Show – Lewisville Grand Theater North Hallway

Yee-haw! Y'all, we are lookin' for artists who can capture the spirit of the West.

Here are some word prompts to inspire even the most city folk among us: open range, rodeos, cowboys, cowgirls, hoedowns, barnyards, horses, saddles, cowboy hats, tumbleweeds, prairie dogs and jackrabbits. Need more? Shoot me an email and I'll lasso up a few more ideas for you. Thank you, pardner.

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Awards

Lasting Impressions Award: \$50

Inspiration Award: \$50

The art awards will be held in conjunction with the *Artists' Talk What Were They Thinking*. **Date TBD**. Those in attendance get to vote for the winning entries after the talk has concluded.

Important Dates and Times:

Exhibit Dates:	July 13 - August 24, 2024 (Gallery hours for public viewing are Tuesday through Saturday from 10am to 5pm)
Submission Deadline	Friday, July 5, 2024 at midnight
Intake	Thursday, July 11, 11am–5pm, in the hallway
Hang Art	Friday, July 12, 10:30am
Special Event +	Conversations with Artists: What were they thinking?
Awards	Sunday, July 28, 3 pm – 5 pm
Strike	Monday, August 26, 11am–5pm

Entry Specifications

- This is a member only show. If you are not a member and would like to join, use this link: https://visualartleague.org/become-a-member
- All media accepted.
- Up to three (3) pieces of art may be entered.
- Entries previously exhibited in a VAL show are not eligible.
- Entries must be original art and created within the last 24 months.
- Entries with nudity or themes/images considered inappropriate for a family-friendly setting will not be accepted.

- VAL reserves the right to reject work that does not meet eligibility requirements or is deemed inappropriate, even after the image has been accepted.
- Art must remain in the show until Strike, even if it sells.
- If your artwork sells during the show, a 20% commission is to be paid to VAL, half of which will go to the Lewisville Grand Theater.
- Your art MUST be delivered on the Intake day and MUST be picked up on Strike day. Please make arrangements for a friend to deliver or pick up your art if you are not available.

Enter Your Artwork via Email

Important: 2D artwork should be photographed without a frame, in focus, and level. 3D artwork should be photographed with no background distractions.

- Send To: deniseholguin24@gmail.com
- Subject: Cowboy & Critters Submission
- Include your artist information
 - Full Name
 - Email Address
 - Address
 - Phone Number
- Include the information for each artwork (up to 3 pieces of art)
 - Title
 - Medium
 - Size, width x height (with frame, if applicable)
 - Price
- Include your Artist's Description
 - Explain how your artwork fits the theme. Please keep it around 25 words. Please count your words.
- **Don't forget to attach your images!** Label image files in this format:
 - LastName FirstName Title.jpg (example: Dow John FirstLight.jpg)

Hanging Specifications

- Entries must conform to the "VAL Hanging Guidelines (pdf)" available at https://visualartleague.org/val-members-documents
- Pieces to be hung on a wall must be properly configured with D-rings and appropriate hanging wire. Ends of wire should be covered to prevent injury.
- No sawtooth hangers. No uniframes. No cleat hangers.
- Framed artwork larger than 16" x 20" must have acrylic glazing. *No glass! There are no exceptions to this rule.*
- Acrylic artworks cannot have sharp edges. If they do, they must be framed.
- Any special requirements for installation will be the responsibility of the artist.

• Preferred artwork width is 40 inches or less to allow for maximum participation. Larger works may be accepted if space allows.

Artwork Delivery

Print and *securely* attach an Entry tag (see next page) to the back of each art piece. Artwork *must* be delivered during intake on Thursday, July 11, 11am–5pm, in the hallway, at the Lewisville Grand Theater at 100 N Charles Street in the North Hallway.

#1	Artist Name Title Medium Width x Height Price \$	
#2	Artist Name Title Medium Width x Height Price \$	
#3	Artist Name Title Medium Width x Height Price \$	