

## Prospectus and Call for Entries

### Explorations in Colored Pencil XI (ECP XI)

Colored Pencil Society of America - District Chapter 210 San Jose (DC210 San Jose)

The Harrington Gallery at the Firehouse Arts Center

4444 Railroad Avenue, Pleasanton, CA 94566

September 9 – October 24, 2023

#### About ECP XI

ECP XI is an open show with cash awards in two categories, Emerging Artists, and Experienced Artists. Submissions must be at least 80% colored pencil. All submissions will be judged to determine awards.

#### About CPSA and DC210 San Jose

The Colored Pencil Society of America was founded in 1990 to establish a nonprofit organization for colored pencil enthusiasts working to promote colored pencil as a fine art medium. CPSA comprises over 1,800 individual member artists and corporate members in the United States and around the world.

CPSA DC210 was founded in 1996 to support colored pencil artists in Northern California. The chapter has approximately 50 members from California, Nevada, and Australia.

#### Judge

Donny Foley is the Gallery and Education Director of the [Pacific Art League](#). He develops and leads PAL's initiatives through a range of programs, including in person and online art education, curating unique exhibitions, public lectures, and artist development. His primary objective is to create a welcoming space where artists from all walks of life can develop their art practice and exhibit their work. Before joining the Pacific Art League, he worked as an artist, gallery manager, and educator.

#### Eligibility

This show is open to all living artists 18 years or older at the submission deadline. Due to complexities of international shipping, we are unable to accept submissions from outside the United States.

#### Venue and Reception

The Harrington Gallery is in the Firehouse Arts Center in Pleasanton, CA. The gallery is open to the public Wednesdays 10am – 5pm, Thursdays & Fridays 12pm – 7pm, and Saturdays 10am – 3pm.

- The reception and awards presentation is Saturday, September 23, 2023, 11am – 2pm

#### Deadline for Submissions and Fees

Submission deadline is 11:59pm (PDT), August 3, 2023.

Submission Fee is \$35 for CPSA members and \$45 for non CPSA members. The fee covers up to three (3) entries.

#### Artwork Drop Off

September 1, (PDT) 10:30am – 12:30pm

All artwork is to be hand delivered to the Harrington Gallery. Artwork must be labeled on the back with the artist's name, title of artwork, price, and email address.

- If you wish to ship your artwork, please contact us at [cpsa210president@gmail.com](mailto:cpsa210president@gmail.com) for options.

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## Explorations in Colored Pencil XI CPSA DC210 San Jose

# Artwork Specifications

**IMPORTANT: Read ALL specifications thoroughly**

### Ideation

- Artwork must be solely the original concept and design of the submitting artist.
- Work in which the primary subject has been copied directly from someone else's photograph unless you have written permission, is not permitted. Work in which the primary subject has been copied from someone else's artwork, is not permitted.
- Work resulting from workshops, tutorials, or instructor-staged still life, is not permitted.
- Artwork of your own design which was worked on in a class or critiqued by others, if you are the primary creative force, is permitted.

### Execution

- Entries must be at least 80% colored pencil. Acceptable colored pencil products can be found at <https://cpsa.org/exhibitions/acceptable-products/>.
- Entries must have been completed in 2018 or later. Artwork that has been exhibited in three previous ECP shows is not eligible. Artwork that has received an award in any previous ECP show is not eligible.
- No reproductions, such as prints or giclées of artwork, may be entered.

### Framing

- Artwork must be delivered gallery ready, which means clean, free of dust, damage, and meeting all framing requirements.
- Artwork must have framing wire properly secured and not visible above the top of the frame when hanging. D-rings are required on wood frames. Screw eyes, sawtooth hangers, clip on hangers, etc. are not permitted.
- Artwork larger than 16" x 20" must use acrylic (plexiglass) in place of glass.
- Artwork must be labeled on the back with the artist's name, title of artwork, price, and email address.

### Artwork Display and Sales

- Artwork must remain in the gallery until close of the show.
- Artwork must be priced for sale; For questions about pricing contact the show committee at [cpsa210president@gmail.com](mailto:cpsa210president@gmail.com). The City of Pleasanton shall handle the sale of the work(s) of art and will retain a 30% commission on all sales that occur during the exhibit or as a result of the exhibit.

### Awards and Notification

There are two categories for entrants: Emerging Artist – an artist who has never been juried into or won an award in any show. And Experienced Artist – for all others. Awards in each category are First Place \$350, Second Place \$250, and Third Place \$150, and Certificates of Merit for Honorable Mentions in each category.

## ECP XI Entry Form

### Permission and Copyright

By submitting an entry, you grant permission for CPSA DC210 San Jose to use your image(s) in its newsletter, "California Color", on its website at [cpsa210.com](http://cpsa210.com), and for brochures, promotional materials, and PR related to the show or CPSA DC210 San Jose as an organization.

### Liability Waiver

Displaying artwork in a public place may involve certain risks such as damage, theft, or other loss. Exhibitor agrees that he/she/they will accept all liability for such risks and will hold harmless the City of Pleasanton, The Firehouse Arts Center, Harrington Gallery, the Colored Pencil Society of America, CPSA District Chapter 210 San Jose and their respective members, staff employees, and volunteers.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Category: Emerging Artist \_\_\_\_\_ Experienced Artist \_\_\_\_\_

### Artwork Information

Entry One: Title \_\_\_\_\_

Framed size: \_\_\_\_\_ Price: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Two: Title \_\_\_\_\_

Framed size: \_\_\_\_\_ Price: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Three: Title \_\_\_\_\_

Framed size: \_\_\_\_\_ Price: \_\_\_\_\_

Show details and fee payment at <https://cpsa210.com/explorations-in-cp-xi-23-1>

Email completed entry form to [cpsa210president@gmail.com](mailto:cpsa210president@gmail.com)

Please contact us at [cpsa210president@gmail.com](mailto:cpsa210president@gmail.com) if you are unable to submit your fees online or send the completed entry form to the above email address.