



CALL FOR ENTRIES:
ARTWORK EXHIBITION
SIGNS OF RURAL LIFE - Junior Division

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Important Dates

- **June 25-27:** *Submission deadline* (bring artwork and completed entry form to Blue Cat between the hours of 10am and 4pm)
- **July 9 - Aug 8:** *Exhibit on display*
 - Gallery hours: Thurs-Sat, 10am-4pm
- **July 10:** *Opening Reception 5-7pm* (during Henoween events downtown for Chicken Show)
 - Awards announced at 5:30 along with the adult division
- **Aug 8:** *Pick up artwork* between 10am-4pm

Awards

- Best in Category, ages 9 and under - \$75
- Best in Category, ages 10-13 - \$75
- Best in Category, ages 14-17 - \$75
- Merit Awards at the judge's discretion – certificate (non-monetary)

Exhibition Theme & Eligibility: *Signs of Rural Life*

- Open to artists 17 and under with signed parental/guardian permission.
- Submit up to three entries created in the last year
 - At least one work is guaranteed to be exhibited. Up to three works will be accepted depending on number of entries total, and space to display all work.
- Max Size: no one side larger than 24" (including frame or mat)
- Any media including painting, works on paper, printmaking, photography, mixed media, 3D/sculpture, etc.
- Works must be original (no kits or direct copies of images created by other artists, including photographs)
- Works must be display ready (canvases with the sides painted and wired on the back, works on paper may be matted or framed and wired on the back, framed work should have a wire on the back).
 - Contact Carolyn (402.454.5144) with any questions regarding this requirement.
- By entering the exhibit, artists and their parent/guardian whose works are submitted for the show grant Blue Cat Gallery & Studio the right to use images on printed materials, gallery website & social media sites for promotional purposes.
- Artworks may be for sale. Inquiries for sales will be directed to the artist and their parent/guardian. Sales will not be handled by Blue Cat Gallery & Studio.



About the Judge: Stacey Frisch is the K-12 Art Teacher at Randolph Public Schools in Randolph, NE. She believes that creativity is one of the most important skills students can learn in an art education program. Additionally, she seeks to foster students' skills in visual communication, design, and "thinking outside the box" as they learn to express themselves through art. Stacey is a lifelong Nebraskan where she graduated from Battle Creek High School and then went on to study Art Education and Family & Consumer Science at Wayne State College, earning a BA degree in 2025.

Submission and Delivery of Artwork

- Fill out the submission form and email to bluecat.gallery.studio@gmail.com or bring to the gallery by Saturday, June 27th. Be sure to include size of each artwork to allow us to plan for sufficient exhibit space.
- Artwork must be delivered to Blue Cat Gallery & Studio on one of the following dates: Thursday, June 25, Friday June 24, or Saturday June 27 between 10am and 4pm. Artwork must be ready to hang (matted or framed and wired on the back). If the delivery window poses a conflict, please contact us to make other arrangements: 402-454-5144.

Liability

- Artist's work will be displayed in the gallery space at the artist's and their guardian/parent's own risk. Blue Cat Gallery & Studio does not carry insurance to cover the replacement of damaged or destroyed work. Artists should carry their own insurance if this is a concern.
- Blue Cat Gallery & Studio staff will take every reasonable precaution to ensure that work displayed in the gallery is safeguarded from damage and destruction.

Agreement

- Submission of work constitutes an agreement to the conditions set forth and acceptance that the decisions of the judge are final. Blue Cat Gallery & Studio may photograph and reproduce submitted work for promotional purposes. Artist and their parent/guardian may not withdraw entries before the close of the exhibition on August 8. Blue Cat Gallery & Studio retain the right to reject work that does not fit the theme or is unsuitable for any reason they deem.

Instructions for Submission

1. Read submission guidelines provided and then fill out the form below. You may either edit PDF form digitally OR print, fill in by hand, then scan to file.
2. Include a short artist statement about your submission(s) that reflects how/why the work represents the theme of the exhibit. This will be displayed with your piece.
3. Email submission form to bluecat.gallery.studio@gmail.com, or bring a paper copy when delivering work to the gallery on June 25, 26 or 27.
4. Please direct any questions to Carolyn Albracht at: 402.454.5144 or bluecat.gallery.studio@gmail.com


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SUBMISSION FORM – Signs of Rural Life: Junior Division

Artist Name: _____ Artist Age (before June 27): _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

(by signing, artist's parent/guardian agrees to the terms outlined in the submission guidelines)

Artwork #1: Title: _____ Size (HxW): _____

Medium: _____ Price (if applicable): _____

Statement about the artwork/how it fits the theme:

(copy and affix to back of work along with Artist's Name)

Artwork #2: Title: _____ Size (HxW): _____

Medium: _____ Price (if applicable): _____

Statement about the artwork/ how it fits the theme:

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Artwork #3: Title: _____ Size (HxW): _____

Medium: _____ Price (if applicable): _____

Statement about the artwork/ how it fits the theme:

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