



Eligibility

Artists currently living in Kansas are invited to enter. Work must be original, completed within the last two years and not previously exhibited in any Smoky Hill. Commercial duplications not accepted.

Specifications

Work must be able to pass through a standard doorway – otherwise, there are NO size restrictions. Two-dimensional work must be suitably framed (strip-framing is acceptable) with a presentation appropriate for professional gallery exhibition. **Work must be complete with an appropriate and secure hanging device** (*hanging wire preferred - NO saw-tooth hangers*).

Juror

Stephen Gleissner has been an art appraiser, curator, juror, and consultant for nearly 30 years. He holds a Ph.D. in art history from Northwestern University, was awarded Fulbright and Paul Mellon Center fellowships, and taught art history at Northwestern and Wichita State University. For twelve years, he served as the chief curator for the Wichita Art Museum and is co-author of *The Wichita Art Museum: 75 Years* and *Artfully Done Across Generations*.

Awards

Multiple cash awards totaling **\$3,000** will be awarded at the juror's discretion. The HAC promotes a purchase program among its patrons.

Preliminary Selection

Preliminary selection will be done from conventional color prints (photographs). One (1) image will be accepted for each two-dimensional work and up to three (3) images accepted for each three-dimensional work.

The back of each image is to be labeled with the artist's name, title of work, medium, and dimensions (height and width, in inches) – with TOP of work clearly noted. Images/photographs are to be NO SMALLER than 5x7 inches and NO LARGER than 8.5 by 11 inches. Photographs will be returned if a stamped, self-addressed envelope accompanies the entry form. Notification cards will be mailed out April 3, 2023.

Entry Fees & Form

*** fill & print entry card provided through separate "entry form" link on Smoky Hill page -**

Provide all information on entry form and notification card (do not separate the two cards). \$25 provides entry of one or two works. Two additional works may be entered for a fee of \$5 each. **ENTRY FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.** Checks made payable to **Hays Arts Council**. Return the entry/notification card, photographs of entered works, self-addressed postage paid envelope (If you want entry photographs returned), and entry fee by March 15, 2023.

Final Selection

The juror reserves the right to remove an unacceptable entry during the final judging. Accepted works which differ significantly from the submitted photographs will also be disqualified.

Delivery

All shipped works are to be sent in reusable packaging. Allow ample time for entries to reach us. All hand delivered works will be accepted **Monday through Friday, 10am to 4pm**. Accepted works will be received at the Hays Arts Center **beginning April 17, arriving no later than April 21.**

Return

Unless exact, return postage or shipping labels are included with entry, carrier-delivered works will be returned collect (insured for the purchase price unless otherwise indicated) at the conclusion of the exhibition. **The Hays Arts Council will NOT be responsible for works left after July 1, 2023.**

Liability

Utmost care in handling will be given all entries. However, the Hays Arts Council will assume no responsibility for the loss or damage to any work entered. All individuals working with this exhibition shall be held blameless for any and all liabilities arising from this exhibition. The Hays Arts Council shall assume the right to reproduce the image (print or digital) of any accepted entry for catalog or promotional purposes related to this exhibition. The return of the entry form constitutes the artist's agreement.

Sales

Note either the Sale Price or "NFS" (not for sale) for entered works. Works without a sale price will be considered NFS. The Hays Arts Council will retain a **one-third (33 1/3%) commission** on sales of accepted works. Payments for all works sold will be made to the artist on or before June 15, 2023.

Catalog

Print and/or digital catalog of awards, accepted works, and complete exhibition list will be available at the Hays Arts Center and/or through our website (www.haysartscouncil.org)

Opening Reception

The opening of the 2023 Smoky Hill Art Exhibition will be Saturday, April 29, from 10am to 4pm, serving as the anchor of the Hays Arts Council Spring Art Walk. The exhibition will close June 3, 2023.