

CALL FOR ART - DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: Tuesday, August 26 at 11:59 p.m.
12th Annual Highlands Juried Art Exhibit, September 21 to December 7, 2025

SECTION 2 – Information

MEDIUMS, AWARDS, OPPORTUNITIES, JURORS

Questions? Contact 973-910-2400, or email highlandsart@njhighlandscoalition.org

1. **MEDIUMS ACCEPTED:** Jurors will consider two- and three-dimensional paintings, drawings, pastels, original prints (lithographs, etchings, monoprints, serigraphs, etc.), mixed-media, digital art, ceramics, sculptures and photographs. Abstract images are also accepted, as long as they are inspired by the Highlands. *No artificially **generated** (AI) images, or portions of images, are allowed.*
2. **AWARDS & PRIZES:**
Thanks to generous donors, the following prizes will be awarded:
 - **PHOTOGRAPHY**
Grand Prize \$300
Second Place \$200
Third Place \$100
5 Honorable Mention awards will be given
 - **FINE ART**
Grand Prize \$300
Second Place \$200
Third Place \$100
5 Honorable Mention awards will be given
3. **EXPANSIVE OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARTICIPATING ARTISTS:**
 - A. All art submitted (*whether or not it had been exhibited in Highlands shows*) will be considered for inclusion in our auxiliary Entr'Exhibits and Artists as Advocates exhibits, which are held in-between the annual juried exhibits, including at venues such as Compton Gallery in Boonton and Farmstead Arts in Basking Ridge, NJ. Click this link to view our past exhibits <http://www.highlandsart.org/exhibits>
 - B. 2. Award-winning images will accompany press releases to be sent to prominent NJ news outlets and publications.
 - C. 3. Selections from the exhibit will be posted on social media channels and featured on the New Jersey Highlands Coalition website. <https://njhighlandscoalition.org/>
 - D. The entire exhibit will be archived (with artists' permission and Copyright credit) on its dedicated Annual Juried Art Exhibit website at <mailto:https://highlandsart.org>

E. ADDITIONAL EXHIBIT OPPORTUNITIES

We sometimes hold invitational Entr'Exhibits (in-between our annual exhibits), for example at The Farmstead, and our new "Artists as Advocates". Selections will be curated from Juried Exhibit submissions for all years, whether or not they had been shown in previous Highlands exhibits.

See past exhibits here <https://highlandsart.org/exhibits-overview>

4. JURORS & AWARDS JUDGES See profiles: <https://www.highlandsart.org/jurors>

- **AWARDS JUDGE & JUROR, PHOTOGRAPHY:** Dwight Hiscano, Coalition trustee, exhibit founder, photographer. *Dwight's web site:* <https://www.dwighthiscano.com/>
- **AWARDS JUDGE & JUROR: FINE ART To be announced**
- **Elliott Ruga**, Emmy Award-winning filmmaker, photographer and Policy Director for the New Jersey Highlands Coalition. About Elliott <https://njhighlandscoalition.org/staff/>
- **Dick Eger** Curator who served two decades as trustee and president of Morris Arts; collector, designer, fine artist and photographer; biologist and more. More about Dick Eger: <https://morristowngreen.com/2019/03/15/a-photographer-for-all-seasons-dick-eger-opens-eyes-with-exhibit-at-college-of-saint-elizabeth/>
- **John Castronovo**, TechPhoto in Boonton, NJ. Commercial photographer and studio manager, art director, computer geek, darkroom manager and technician, color management guru, and more. His Web site: <https://www.technicalphoto.com/>
- **Mitchell Rosenzweig**, Award-winning abstract artist with a BFA in fine art from Penn State, and a BS degree in Forestry. His web site: <http://www.mitchellrosenzweig.com>