

44TH ANNUAL

JURIED ART COMPETITION

OCTOBER 7 - NOVEMBER 14



AWARDS

FIRST PLACE: \$1,000 | SECOND PLACE: \$750 | THIRD PLACE: \$500

PEOPLE'S CHOICE - \$250

IMPORTANT DATES

Accepting Digital Entries: August 1 - August 31, 2026

Notification of Acceptance: September 10, 2026

Drop-off Days: September 23-26, 2026

Opening Reception Date: October 10, 2026

Pick-up Days: November 18-21, 2026



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PICKENS COUNTY
SOUTH CAROLINA



Requirements/Eligibility

- **Digital Entry Deadline:** August 31, 2026, at midnight.
- **Jurors:** · Erin Spainhour - Executive Director – Anderson Art Center
Tracey Weiss – Curator of Collections and Exhibitions – Anderson Art Center
- **Exhibition Dates:** The show will be on display from October 7 to November 14, 2026
- **Eligibility:** The competition is open to any artists eighteen years or older currently residing in South Carolina.
- **Digital Entries:** · Up to 2 original artworks may be submitted using the [ONLINE ENTRY FORM](#).
Can send up to 2 images per entry.
- **Entry Fee:** August 1-15: \$20.00; August 16 - August 31: \$30.00. (This fee covers up to 2 entries.) Payment is required at the time of submission (PayPal). No refunds after submission of payment.
- **Eligible Work:** All work must be original and created within the past 5 years. All work must be “exhibition ready.” If works are not adequately prepared for display, they will be ineligible for the exhibition. The Pickens County Museum of Art and History is a public facility that cannot display any works that include nudity, violence, or graphic language/actions. Pickens County Museum staff reserve the right to refuse any submission that it deems unacceptable for the exhibition. These works may be in any 2-D or 3-D media, including painting, drawing, photography, fiber, printmaking, illustration, mixed media, sculpture, ceramics, etc.
- **Size Limitations:** Each piece must be under 75 pounds and be able to fit through a standard door 40” wide x 72” length.
- **Commission:** All work will be available for sale with a 20% commission to benefit the Pickens County Museum Foundation.
- **Submission:** Must be in JPEG format, at least 1 MB in size but not to exceed 4. Label each image with your last name/first initial and title (SmithJ_Flowers.jpg).
- **Your entry automatically indicates your agreement to the terms below:**

The Pickens County Museum of Art and History does not assume responsibility for insuring works of art. All artworks will be handled with care. Loss or damage of works while on exhibit, during shipping or transport, or during the installation and deinstallation of the exhibition is not the responsibility of the Pickens County Museum of Art and History. We reserve the right to refuse any entry and to withdraw any work from the exhibition at our discretion. The Pickens County Museum of Art and History reserves the right to photograph and reproduce any entry submitted for educational, informational, or publicity purposes. Submission of an entry in the exhibit will constitute agreement by the artist with all conditions set forth in this prospectus.

- **Notifications:** Acceptance/rejection notifications will be sent via email by September 10, 2026.
- **Accepted Artwork:** · All accepted work must be properly framed, or gallery wrapped (canvas stretched around a stretcher frame to create a clean, professional appearance), and wired for hanging. No exceptions will be made! Failure to present work in this fashion can mean disqualification. Accepted artwork must have the following info attached directly to the artwork: Artist Name, Address, Phone, Email, Title of the Work, Medium, Year Completed, and Sales Price. Accepted artwork may be hand-delivered or shipped.

Hand-delivered work must be dropped off between 9 am and 5 pm September 23-25, or between 10 am and 2 pm on Saturday, September 26, at 307 Johnson St, Pickens, South Carolina, 29671.

If you will be shipping your artwork, please provide a prepaid return shipping label, and ship artwork to:

Pickens County Museum of Art and History

ATTN: Nick McKinney

307 Johnson St

Pickens, SC 29671

- **Artwork Pick-Up:** All artwork, unless shipped or prior arrangements have been made, must be picked up between 9 am and 5 pm on Wednesday, November 18, Thursday, November 19, Friday, November 20, or between 10 am and 2 pm on Saturday, November 21 at 307 Johnson St, Pickens, South Carolina, 29671. **All artwork not picked up within 30 days will become the property of the Pickens County Museum of Art and History.**

Required Forms

The entry form can be completed here: <https://pci.jotform.com/form/262114228142143>

Contact Information

Please use the information below if there are any questions.

Nick McKinney

Museum Director

(864) 898-5963

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Agreement for Exhibition

By submitting the Entry Form, the artist grants the Pickens County Museum of Art and History the right to include the artwork listed on the Entry Form into the 44th Annual Juried Art Competition and agrees to abide by the terms and conditions contained in this prospectus. The artist warrants full ownership of the submitted artwork and allows the Pickens County Museum of Arts and History full rights to use images of the work in promotion of the exhibition. Acceptance of terms does not guarantee selection into the exhibition. All professional efforts will be given to ensure the safety and well-being of all artworks accepted into the exhibition.