

2026 Annual Contest Prospectus



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Roots & Wings

The theme for our 2026 May contest is "Roots & Wings." The theme is open to literal and interpretive approaches. Artists may interpret "roots" as heritage, home, landscape, tradition, stability, and "wings" as movement, transformation, imagination, or possibility. Literal interpretations, such as plants, trees, birds, insects or other natural forms are equally encouraged. Whether the members choose to go personal or purely visual, realistic or abstract, we hope "Roots & Wings" will offer a wide and welcoming framework for creativity. We are excited about this theme and look forward to a fun, inclusive member exhibition.

KEY DATES

Artwork Prep: Now until May Meeting

Online Registration (FREE): Now until Friday May 16

Artwork Submission: Monday, May 19 at General Meeting/Party

Artwork Unveiling: Monday, May 19 at General Meeting/Party

Voting: Monday, May 19 at General Meeting/Party

Artwork Exhibit: Display in TAP Gallery throughout the summer

**Additional travel display for select pieces possible

Pickup of Art: By Monday Sept 16, 2026 (at General Meeting)

Use any medium, 2D or 3D, frame and finish edges, and size appropriate for display in the TAP Gallery.

2-D Minimum size limitation – 12 inches, H and W, including frame

Maximum size limitation – 48 inches, H and W, including frame

3-D Hanging 3-D subject to same guidelines as 2D. Free standing 3-D artwork must measure no more than 12 inches in any direction and weigh no more than 20 pounds. Pieces must stand upright on their own or the artist must provide their own display easel so that it can be readily seen through the front doors of the display cabinet.

Take in will be at the May 19, 2026 Meeting. Participants are required to bring their work to the Front Meeting Room at the Park where the meeting will be held, between 5:00 p.m. and 5:45 p.m. so the works can be arranged for viewing at 6:00 p.m. **Bring an easel** for display purposes at the meeting only.

Your peers will vote for their favorites in “Roots & Wings” to award 1st – 3rd Place at the meeting. Ribbons will be awarded. After the meeting, the pieces will be hung up in the TAP Gallery and remain there through the summer. (If you need to remove your piece prior to that, please contact the TAP Gallery Coordinator or the Annual Contest Chair (Jasmine Fleetwood), so we can rearrange the remaining work if it is necessary.)

Registration Guidelines:

- Registration for the exhibition at crookedcreekart.org/annual-contests is required.
Online registration only. Assistance can be provided to members needing help with the online registration process. Submitted artwork photos should have squared corners (not show the artwork at a skewed or tilted angle) and show only the entire artwork (no frames or extraneous backgrounds).
- Images should be named as follows: Artwork Title.ARTIST NAME.jpeg
- A sale price must be provided for any works that will be for sale.
- Artwork Labeling: Pre-printed back of artwork labels will be provided at check-in.

To register online you will need the name, medium, and size of your piece along with a brief description of the piece or source of inspiration and a photograph of your piece.

For any questions, please contact Jasmine Fleetwood at ajnsfleetwood@yahoo.com.

Get busy! We can't wait to see your artworks and what inspired them!

Jasmine Fleetwood, Annual May Contest Coordinator
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