

Why we do juried art exhibits?

To educate and support the artist:

- Juried exhibits are not meant to create “fairness” like a blue ribbon award at the fair
- Juried exhibits are meant to create higher standards of excellence; raising the bar
- Juried exhibits create self - awareness to those working toward submitting to begin to really “see” their work through the eyes of others
- Juried exhibits put those who submit into a larger arena; no more big fish in the little pond, a reality check for artwork level and achievement
- Juried Exhibits offer a “notch in the belt” for the resume of an artist whose work is accepted – when someone of notoriety in the art realm qualifies a piece of work, this goes directly onto their bio
- Juried exhibits create the need for those creating to continue to learn and work at improvement; this is the nature of competition; we do not live in a socialist art society when in this realm
- Juried exhibits foster networking with other artists at higher levels, connections for other gallery opportunities etc.
- Juried exhibits offer high quality and foster the attention of collectors, more likely for sales

To educate the viewer:

- Juried exhibits offer high standard of artwork; this fosters art appreciation
- Juried exhibits bring work in from outside the small community without the need to travel to a larger metropolitan area
- Juried exhibits foster the desire for others to learn and master an artistic skill
- Juried exhibits by offering a higher standard and quality of work generate support in audience

To the Arts Center:

- Juried exhibits do all of the above which greatly affect the Arts Center and its mission to appreciation, education and participation at every level
- Juried exhibits have the possibility, if submissions continue to grow, of offering some positive financial effect in the operations of keeping the arts center walls available for locals and non-locals alike
- Juried exhibits have the prospect of opening the Art Center doors and this community to those who would otherwise be unaware of their existence
- Juried exhibits put the Arts Center reputation into a higher level in line with other Art Museums and Art Galleries across the country
- Juried exhibits foster the support of collectors and those who have more solid financial status capable of offering funding