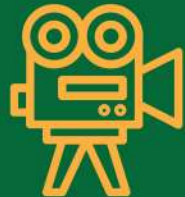


# YOUTH ARTS EXHIBITION



A JURIED ART EXHIBITION FOR 1ST – 12TH GRADE OHIO YOUTH

ENTRY DEADLINE  
**JUNE 21 AT 1 PM**

MONETARY AND IN-KIND AWARDS OFFERED



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State Fair

JULY 24 - AUGUST 4, 2024

# 2024 YOUTH ARTS STATEWIDE CALL FOR ENTRIES



## DIVISION CATEGORIES:

### All Youth Arts Divisions located in Kasich Hall B

Div. #2101  
Elementary School  
(1st-4th Grade)

Div. #2102  
Middle School  
(5th-8th Grade)

Div. #2103  
High School  
(9th-12th Grade)

The Ohio State Fair Youth Arts Exhibition is an annual showcase of the artistic talent and creativity of Ohio's youth. The exhibition is a highly anticipated event that attracts artists from all over the state, ranging from grades 1-12. The exhibition features a diverse array of art forms, including painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, and mixed media.

This exhibition is an opportunity for young artists to display their work in a professional setting and to receive recognition for their artistic achievements. The exhibition is judged by a panel of experienced artists and educators who award prizes and recognition for outstanding works of art.

The Ohio State Fair Youth Arts Exhibition is a celebration of creativity, imagination, and passion for the arts, and it continues to inspire and support the next generation of Ohio's artists.



2023 Youth Arts  
1st Place, High  
School Division  
Ashley Fox,  
*Only 10.99*

## IMPORTANT DATES:

June 21	Entry deadline at 1 p.m. All online entry information, payment and uploaded images must be received.
June 30	Acceptance/Non-acceptance notices will be emailed to artists.
July 11	Shipped entries postmarked deadline. If entries are received past July 18, we cannot guarantee placement in the exhibit.
July 18-19	Artwork Drop Off 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Kasich Hall.
July 20	Artwork Drop Off 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. Kasich Hall.
August 4	Youth Arts Award Ceremony 4 – 5 p.m. Kasich Hall. Art will be released for pickup after the ceremony from 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.
August 5	Artwork Pickup 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.



## 2024 YOUTH ARTS DIVISION AWARDS

### Division 2101 – Elementary School (Grades 1-4)

1st Place	\$75
2nd Place	\$50
3rd Place	\$25

### Division 2102 – Middle School (Grade 5-8)

1st Place	\$100
2nd Place	\$75
3rd Place	\$50

### Division 2103 – High School (Grades 9-12)

1st Place	\$125
2nd Place	\$100
3rd Place	\$75

**To support the Youth Arts at the Ohio State Fair, contact the Youth Arts Director, Flint Garrabrant, at [f.garrabrant@expo.ohio.gov](mailto:f.garrabrant@expo.ohio.gov) for information and supporter benefits.**

### ELIGIBILITY

- You are not required to win at a county fair to enter the Ohio State Fair.
- Open to Ohio youth in 1st -12th Grade. Artists should enter the division based on their grade level for the 2023-2024 school year.

### FEES

- There is a Youth Arts processing fee of \$5 plus \$1 per entry (no limit).
- Payment by credit card required at time of entry (MC, VISA and Discover).
- Artist processing fees and entry fees will not be refunded.

### ENTRY GUIDELINES

- Family-friendly work only will be accepted and is at the Ohio State Fair's discretion.
- Items entered for exhibition must be your original work (no kits, coloring pages or paint by number).
- Licensed and copyrighted images are not considered original works and will be disqualified if entered.
- Items previously exhibited in the Youth Arts exhibit will not be accepted.
- Entry must be created in the student's current grade level (division) completed for the 2022-2023 school year and have been completed in the past two years.
- All work is juried. Jurors' decisions are final.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

- Accepted mediums include, but not limited to, abstract, acrylic, ceramics, charcoal, collage, mixed media, oil painting, original cartoon (comic character), painting (tempera, watercolor), pastels, pen/ink, pencil, photography and sculpture.
- Elementary and Middle School framed hanging work may not exceed 36"x 36" or 10 lbs.
- High School framed hanging work may not exceed 48"x 48" or 20 lbs.
- Sculpture style art pieces may not exceed 3'x 3' x 6'.
- Wet and/or incomplete work will not be accepted.
- All 2D work must be framed and fitted with hanging devices. Framing is a part of the presentation of your work and is judged accordingly. Poster Frames, using matting for frames, or loose paper will not be accepted.
- Accepted artworks with special hanging requirements need to provide detailed instructions and supplies for display.
- Exhibits (charcoal, pastels, acrylics, pen/ink, pencil, sketch b/w or color, watercolors, etc.) must be covered with protective wrap, glass, or Plexiglass to maintain the integrity of the piece.
- Instructions to print off your own entry tags will be e-mailed to you upon acceptance. Print two tags for each entry accepted into the exhibit; attach one entry tag to the upper right back corner of 2D work, or to the bottom/side of 3D work. The second tag will be required at pick-up. Artwork will not be released without it!
- A waiver will be signed at time of delivery acknowledging accepted artwork MUST remain on exhibit through end of Fair, August 6 at 5 p.m.
- Please refer to the Arts General Information and Guidelines and specific division notes for important information.





## UPLOAD IMAGE SPECIFICATIONS

- Artwork must be photographed on a solid background.
- One photo shot permitted for each piece entered.
- Image(s) must be named after the title of the work it represents.
- Artist name must NOT appear on uploaded images. Place tape over name for photos entered.
- Uploaded image size requirements: 1024 x 768 pixels or smaller (width x height) - less than 8MB and saved as a JPEG, GIF, BMP or PNG formats only.
- If your total image file size is greater than 8 MB, you will need to use a photo editing program to “re-size the photo image”.
- Free programs available: Microsoft Image Resizer, Microsoft Photo Editor, Picasa, IrfanView, Photoscape and others. The website tinywow also has free resizing and image and video editing tools to help you meet the criteria.
- Your images must be RGB color format; CMYK files will not upload properly.
- It may be helpful to move entry images to your desktop before beginning the process (for ease in uploading).

## ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS

**Be sure you have updated your browser to the 2024 Ohio State Fair website**

- First time users may find it helpful to review the “Online Entry Tutorial”.
- You must create a new account for your entries every year.
- Each youth must have an individual account for their entries.
- Enter Online and follow instructions.
- You can process only one entry at a time. Remember to submit one digital image for each entry at time of registration. You must pay for entry before the image upload button appears. Click “Press for Instructions” button at top center of screen for instructional video.
- When uploading your images, make sure you click the flashing “Press Upload when ready”. A thumbnail image appears before you click this flashing text, and the word “preview” remains on top of your image until your photo is uploaded successfully. When the upload is complete, you can now view what you uploaded and make changes up to deadline.
- If returning to your account (prior to the deadline) as a previously registered artist: Use the log-in info you created and confirm that the screen says “Hello (your name)” in the right-hand corner. Then click on “Past Transactions” and re-check your uploaded files (one title/Wen#/Image(s)). Sessions expire after 20 minutes of inactivity; “save to the cart” if you plan on leaving your computer for more than 20 minutes. All uploads saved to cart must be confirmed as final entry by June 21 at 1 p.m.
- Refer entry questions to Entry Dept. b.prince@expo.ohio.gov or 614-644-4052.
- A valid e-mail address is crucial for future communications, including acceptance/non-acceptance notifications and entry confirmation. Please check spam/junk mail if you haven’t received expected notifications.

## YOUTH ART CHALK ART COMPETITION

Entry Deadline: June 21, 1 p.m.

Competition Dates: August 2 - August 4

Times: Friday, August 2, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m., Saturday, August 3, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Sunday, August 4, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Acceptance Emails: sent out to artists by June 30, 2024

Awards: August 4 at 4 p.m., Kasich Hall

Fees: No cost to enter.

- Must be currently enrolled in a K-12 grade school and an Ohio resident between 10 - 18 years of age.
- Competition will consist of up to 15 juried designs.
- Only 1 entry per artist or team will be accepted. Teams may include 2 artists working together.
- Sketch designs for chalk art will be submitted via Google Form for jurying after the open call is live in April.
- Once accepted into the competition, participating artists will be mailed Fair Tickets for admission for 3 days of drawing if entered by deadline of June 21). **There are no opportunities to enter after the deadline of June 21.**
- Artists must finish their artwork before 3 p.m. on Sunday, August 4.
- Artist check-in: 9 a.m.-10 a.m. at Kasich Hall B on Friday, August 2 or Saturday, August 3, between 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
- Artist may use chalk or pastels, and use tempera to prime their space if desired. Use of any other materials will disqualify artist from competition.
- Each artist will be allotted a space of up to 6' x 6' to work.
- 3D chalk art creations are encouraged.
- If desired, artists may supply their own tarp and method to secure tarp to protect their work in the event of rain. The Ohio Expositions Center is not responsible, however, for these materials or the condition of the artists' artwork. Efforts will be made to stanchion off the area used for the competition.



## DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS

Deliver all artwork to the Creative/Youth Arts Center located in Kasich Hall on the following dates/times. Please enter at designated area and follow signs and instructions.

Thurs., July 18, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Friday, July 19, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Sat., July 20, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Kasich Hall is located off of 17th Ave.

Refer to the map here for the location of Kasich Hall for artwork pickup/drop-off.

Additional directions will be provided upon acceptance of entries.



## SHIPPING ARTWORK

- Exhibits may be shipped prepaid and addressed to:

Ohio State Fair

Admin. Building/Special Events

717 East 17th Ave.

Columbus, OH 43211-2698

- Shipped exhibits should arrive between July 8-11 in a substantial reusable container and should include a list of articles submitted, exhibitor's name and address and entry tags.
- Shipping instructions and a prepaid, preaddressed return label (for return mailing) MUST accompany the above shipment if the Ohio State Fair is requested to ship the item back to the exhibitor. Items will not be shipped back without receiving a prepaid return label.
- The artist is responsible for all shipping costs and in-transit insurance.
- Items being returned cannot be delivered to a PO Box.

## PICKUP PROCEDURES

- Artists attending the award ceremony can pick up their entries on Sunday, August 4 after the ceremony between the hours of 5 - 6 p.m. or Monday, August 5 from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
- Artwork not picked up by 8 p.m. on August 5 will be disposed of by Fair Management.
- If an artist/parent/guardian requests that someone else pick up his/her items, a letter of authorization and claim tag are required.
- A staff member will escort only the artist/parent/guardian to designated areas to collect entered items.
- When items are collected, the artist/parent/guardian is required to sign and date the release sheet (confirming that all entries have been picked up).

## OTHER OPPORTUNITIES FOR FOR YOUTH ARTISTS:

- If you are age 6 or older, consider this... some Creative Arts competitions are open to youth 11 years of age or older (unless division states otherwise). Check out the competitions available in the Creative Arts Divisions that offer specific youth award categories!
- If you are age 17 or older, consider this... You are also eligible to enter the Ohio State Fair Fine Arts Exhibition in the Amateur Division, and on-site competitions as well as some Creative Arts Competitions and live events.
- If the same piece of artwork is accepted into MULTIPLE art divisions, artist will need to select the division of choice to exhibit the accepted work. Processing and entry fees will not be refunded.

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