



# Warren Co. Cultural & Heritage Affairs

Shippen Manor \* 8 Belvidere Ave. \* Oxford, New Jersey 07863



## Warren County Senior Art Show Application 2025

Please type or print neatly in blue or black ink. **Submit this page, only.**

Label for artwork will be provided at check-in.

<b>Full Name of Artist</b> No nicknames, please.			<b>Nickname</b>		<b>Age</b>	
<b>Artist's Address</b> <i>Street, Town, State, Zip Code</i>						
<b>Professional or Non-Professional</b>						
<b>Email (if applicable)</b>						
<b>Phone</b>						
<b>Entry Title</b>						
<b>Framed Size</b> <i>Maximum of 30" &amp; minimum of 10" in any direction, including frame</i>	<b>Height</b>		<b>Width</b>			
<b>Type of Frame</b> <i>Wood, acrylic, glass, etc.</i>						
<b>Category</b> <i>If mixed media, specify materials used</i>						
<b>Any prior damage to frame</b> <i>Describe type and location</i>						
<b>Year Completed</b> <i>Between April 2022 and present</i>		<b>Value of Artwork</b>		\$		
<b>Insurance Company</b> <i>For works valued at over \$400</i>						
<b>If for sale, price of artwork</b>	\$	<b>If <u>not</u> for sale, please write or type an "x" in box</b>				

**Permissions & Liability Waiver: Please read carefully. Signing the application is also agreeing to the terms below.**

I hereby grant the County of Warren (Warren County Division of Cultural & Heritage Affairs and the Division of Aging & Disability Services) permission to **photograph** myself and my artwork and to share the photographed images on the Warren County website, on the Shippen Manor Facebook page, in the Senior Voice Newsletter, and in an official County of Warren Press Release to local media outlets.

I hereby understand and acknowledge that my property, including, without limitation, any artwork or other items on display, may be **damaged, lost, or stolen** during the exhibition or during the unpacking, packing, or transportation of the items. I understand, acknowledge, and assume the risks involved by allowing such property to be displayed by the County of Warren.

I hereby understand and acknowledge that the County of Warren **does not insure** any property, including, without limitation, any artwork or other items on display in the County and State Senior Citizen Art Shows.

I hereby agree to **retrieve** any and all of my property, including limitation, any artwork, no later than 30 days after the conclusion of the show. I understand only the County Coordinator or the designee may remove artwork from County and/or State display locations at any time.

I hereby agree that the County of Warren shall **not be liable** for any injury, loss, or damage arising out of my voluntary entry of artwork into the show. I hereby waive any and all claims against the County of Warren arising from the loss, damage, or theft of my artwork. I hereby represent and warrant that I have read this Agreement, including this Waiver of Liability provision, in its entirety and fully understand its contents. I have signed the agreement voluntarily and of my own free will. By signing this agreement, I release and hold harmless the County of Warren, the Board of County Commissioners, County employees, or representatives from and against any and all claims of injury or damages relating to the above provisions.

<b>Signature of Participant</b>	
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**County Eligibility Guidelines:**

1. Any artist residing in Warren County, New Jersey, **age 60 and over**, may submit **one (1) piece of artwork** to his/her County-of-Residence’s Senior Citizen Art Show (see “Categories—for both County & State Shows).
2. Artists may enter in only **one (1) County show**. Multiple entries may disqualify them from having their work in the State Senior Citizen Art Show.
3. Artwork must have been completed **within three (3) years** immediately prior to the Show (work must have been completed **between April 2022 and the present**).
4. Entries **may not** have been entered or shown in any prior County Senior Citizen Art Shows or in prior N.J. Senior Citizen Art Shows.

**State Guidelines:**

1. **All 1st place winners** of the Warren Co. Senior Citizen Art Show will automatically be entered in the State's 2025 show.
2. **One (1) professional and one (1) non-professional first place entry** will be submitted by the County Coordinator to the State Senior Show: acrylic, digital art, mixed media, oil painting, pastels, photography, print, watercolor painting, and works on paper (see below).

**Categories-- for both County & State Shows**

<p><b>Acrylic Painting</b></p>	<p><b>Digital (Computer) Art</b> Artwork created using computer graphics software, <b>does not</b> include digital photographs</p>	<p><b>Mixed Media</b> Combination of <b>two or more</b> media, and non-traditional, with no single dominating media; includes collage and assemblage</p>
<p><b>Oil Painting</b></p>	<p><b>Pastels</b> Soft chalk &amp; oil pastels</p>	<p><b>Photography</b> Includes color, black &amp; white or tinted photographs taken with a film-based and/or digital camera</p>
<p><b>Print</b> All print forms including, but not limited to etching, linoleum block, lithograph, woodcut, monoprint (made by applying ink to a smooth surface like glass or metal and pressing against paper), silkscreen, and collagraph (made by gluing various materials to a plate and printing from it)</p>	<p><b>Watercolor Painting</b> Including gouache Note: traditional often includes light pencil work and/or ink, which is not considered “Mixed Media”</p>	<p><b>Works on Paper</b> Hand-drawn works in mediums including: charcoal, pencil, colored pencil, graphite, ink, pen, crayon, or stylus of any sort</p>

Please see “Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)”

## Art Classification: Professional or Non-Professional

<b>PROFESSIONAL</b> <i>Any artist that meets two or more of the following qualifications.</i>	1. Sells or has sold artwork <b>through commercial channels</b> , including galleries, on-line galleries, craft shows, art shows, etc.
	2. Has been exhibiting their work for <b>2 or more years</b> in professional galleries and/or in professional art exhibits.
	3. Has had work selected in <b>2 or more juried art or craft shows</b> .
	4. Has received <b>2 or more awards</b> for their artwork
	5. Has won <b>1<sup>st</sup> place three times in the same category</b> in the Warren County show.
	6. Holds or held <b>professional membership</b> in an artist or craftsperson's guild or association.
<b>NON-PROFESSIONAL</b>	1. Any artist that <b>does not meet two or more</b> of the above criteria (“Professional”).
	2. <b>Never exhibited</b> their work in any other show or venue

## Artwork/Display Rules

- **2-D artwork** (framed art, photos or crafts wired to hang) may be **no larger than 30” or smaller than 10”** in any dimension, including the frame.
- **All 2-D artwork** must be framed and wired for the State Senior Citizen Art Show hanging system (fully wired frames from left to right). Saw tooth hooks or command strips will **NOT** be accepted.
- All art must be **original works** of art, meaning, no reproductions of paintings, drawings, etc., will be accepted (including digital print copies). Entries in the Photography or Digital Arts categories may be digital prints.
- **No kits or direct copies of another person's artwork** will be accepted.
- It is recommended that artists **photograph their 2-D work** before it is framed, to avoid a glare. Artists should photograph against a neutral background so it shows up well.
- Every effort should be made to **ensure all work is correctly categorized**. Work that is incorrectly categorized may be moved to the correct category (or risk being taken out of the competition altogether) at the discretion of the NJSAS administrators.
- Participating artists will receive a **hard copy invitation** to the 2025 Reception & Awards Ceremony in the mail. The invitation is for the participating artist and one (1) guest only.
- All artwork **valued at \$400 or more MUST be insured by the artist**, either as part of their homeowner's insurance or under a special arts insurance rider. The Artist shall provide the County of Warren with **proof of insurance for any and all insured artwork** entered into the show. (Please provide a copy of your insurance certificate with your application.)
- Artwork valued at \$399 or less is **not required** to be insured by the artist.
- The County of Warren **does not and will not** insure submitted artwork. The County of Warren is not responsible for any lost, damaged, or stolen artwork.

## Works Listed For Sale

Work may be listed for sale and no commission will be charged. If someone would like to purchase the artist's work at the State Show, either Warren Co. Cultural & Heritage Affairs and/or the NJSAS staff will forward any purchase inquiry directly to the artist. The **Artist will assume complete responsibility for sales** (including, but not limited to: payment arrangements, plans for shipping/pick-up of purchased artwork, sale taxes that may occur from sales and/or sale negotiations.)

## Drop-Off of Artwork for County Show

The completed application form and artwork should be delivered to the Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building (165 CR 519 South, Belvidere, NJ 07823) on **Thurs., April 24, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

**Labels will be made available to artists and staff will affix labels with blue painters tape to the back corner of the frame.**

Artists that have won a **1<sup>st</sup> place in the Warren County show** will automatically be entered in the NJ State Show. Labels will be completed and affixed at this time.

## Warren County Show & Reception

The Warren County Senior Citizen Art Show and artists' reception will take place at the Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building (165 CR 519 South, Belvidere, NJ 07823) on **Friday, May 16, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

- Any questions pertaining to drop off procedures for April 24<sup>th</sup>, please email or call **Cathy Haschak** (chaschak@co.warren.nj.us), Division of Aging and Disability, (908) 475-6591.
- For all other inquiries, please email or call **Gina Rosseland** (grosseland@co.warren.nj.us), Division of Cultural & Heritage Affairs (908) 453-4381.

## Pick-Up Artwork from County Show

Artwork that is **not going to the State Show** in the fall will need to be picked up at the Administration building on **Friday, August 22, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.** For those who cannot pickup their art on the scheduled date/time can reach out to Gina to schedule a pick-up date/time at Shippen Manor (8 Belvidere Ave., Oxford), separately.

For artwork that is **automatically entered in the State Show**, Gina will reach to schedule artists to pick-up their pieces following the commencement of the State Senior Citizen Art Show and the return of the artwork to Shippen Manor (**dates and times to be announced**).

## 2025 New Jersey Senior Citizen Art Show

For all artists who are awarded a first place ribbon in the County Show will automatically be entered in the State Show. This year, the New Jersey Senior Citizen Art Show will be expanded. State show dates are from **September 29 to November 6, 2025, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Saturday** at Meadow Lakes (300 Meadow Lakes, East Windsor, NJ 08520). For groups of more than six (6) visitors, please contact Meadow Lakes ahead of time (609) 448-4100. Information will be provided to County winning artists ahead of the State Show.

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

**1. Do “Digital Photographs” go into the “Digital/Computer Art” category?**

*No. Photographs from any camera (including digital) will be entered into the “Photography” category, unless the artist has manipulated and digitally altered the image beyond any outcome they could have gotten using a traditional darkroom setting.*

**2. Are “Watercolor Paintings” with some ink and pencil used considered “Mixed Media”?**

*No. Watercolorists often use pencil or ink drawings as part of their work. These are NOT “Mixed Media” works.*

**3. Are paintings that include small photos or other materials considered “Mixed Media”?**

*Not necessarily. If a painting is almost entirely created in oils or acrylic, for example—and the artist includes tiny photos, stencils, or small pieces of cloth in a small part of the painting it may still be entered as an “Oil” or “Acrylic Painting”, as long as the clear majority (more than 85%) of the piece is painted with oil or acrylic.*

**4. Why must artwork be done within the past three (3) years?**

*The County and State Shows celebrate current artists who are senior citizens. Requiring work to have been done within the past three (3) years ensures that the artist submitting the work is still actively pursuing his/her artistic passion, rather than taking artwork out of storage.*

**5. If there are only one (1) or two (2) pieces in a category in the County Show, does the one piece automatically go to the State Show?**

*If there is a single entry in a category on the County level, the County Adjudicators have the option of selecting that entry for First Place if the artwork is of high merit.*

*Note: Adjudicators are not required to advance a solo piece (or one of two pieces) in a category to the State. If the adjudicators believe the piece (or both pieces) are not sufficiently strong to receive a First or Second Place award, they may decide to award only an Honorable Mention to the solo (or top of two pieces). In a category with three (3) or more entries, adjudicators should be required to select a First-Place winner to move on to the State Show.*

**6. What if I have more questions?**

*Call or email **Gina Rosseland** ([grosseland@co.warren.nj.us](mailto:grosseland@co.warren.nj.us)), (908) 453-4381.*

**Labels will be provided and affixed to your submissions at drop-off on April 24<sup>th</sup>.**