

Spotsy Arts Festival



A Juried Arts Festival Featuring the Best of the Best
www.spotsyartsfestival.com

2nd weekend in August
Saturday 10 AM-6 PM/Sunday 11 AM-5 PM

FESTIVAL POSTER CONTEST

Submission Date September 30

EVENT SUMMARY

During the 2nd weekend in August the lawns of Spotsylvania Court House are transformed into a massive outdoor arts and artisan gallery for 100+ artists and artisans from across the region and all around the United States. Join us for a fun-filled day or weekend of shopping, feasting, music and artisan demonstrations.

CONTEST GUIDELINES

Each year the Spotsy Arts Festival will issue a call for artists to design a poster which will be selected as the official Poster for the following year. This poster **must** depict the arts and can include the landscape of Spotsylvania County.

Requirements --

- The design **must** be thematically related to the arts.
- The artwork **must** be original and unpublished.
- The artwork **must** be hand painted or drawn: oil, acrylic, watercolor, pastel, alcohol ink, colored pencils, etc.

Suggestions –

- Use bright colors to illustrate the purpose of the poster.
- Be creative, think outside of the box, have fun and follow the rules!

We look forward to seeing what artists come up with when they are given creative latitude.

JUDGING

The posters are judged on the artist's interpretation of how they envision the Spotsy Arts Festival and the County along with their artistic interpretation, originality, aesthetic appearance and how well it represents the Spotsy Arts Festival.

The original art work may be requested by the Festival Jury Committee prior to the Committee's final decision.

SAF will be responsible for ensuring the name of the artists are not available to the Committee prior to or during the judging process.

All submissions will be judged by the Festival Jury Committee. The decisions of the Jury are final.

PRIZES

FIRST PRIZE	\$1,000
SECOND PRIZE	\$400
THIRD PRIZE	\$200

- Winners will also receive free shared Exhibitor Space where they can show and sell their work exclusive of Winning Submissions
 - A framed copy of the winning entries will be presented to the artists which can be displayed in the winner's tent but cannot be for sale.
- The winning poster for each year will be prominently displayed in the Spotsylvania County Visitor's Center until the following Festival year and for special events.
- For further information, see the Art Work Entry Rules included in the Application.

NOTE: It is understood that the winners will --

- To the best of their ability, participate in selected advertising and promotional events
- Attend the Exhibitor's Reception and Artist Award Reception on Friday night when the Prizes will be awarded

**If needed, the Tent and System will be provided*

DEADLINE

SEPTEMBER 30

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Applications must be accompanied by a photo of your art work.

The preferred method of submitting your application and photograph is via this electronic application or via email -- Applications@SpotsyArtsFestival.com. Images should be of jpeg/gif/tiff format with image size less than 1.8 MBs Your name and any other identifying information should not be on the photographic image.

Alternatively, photos may be mailed with the application to – Spotsy Arts Festival, PO Box 274, Montross, VA 22520.

TENTATIVE FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

Friday 8 am – 4 pm	Set Up (a detailed site map and instructions for setup/unloading/loading will be sent prior to the Festival)
Friday 5 pm – 7 pm	Reception/Awards Ceremony
Saturday 10 am – 6 pm	Spotsy Arts Festival hours
Sunday 11 am – 5 pm	Spotsy Arts Festival hours
Sunday 5 pm -?	Take down

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

www.SpotsyArtsFestival.com
email SAF@SpotsyArtsFestival.com
or call 703.887.2878

Thank you for your interest in the Spotsy Arts Festival!!

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ART POSTER CONTEST APPLICATION

Applications due -- September 30

NAME: _____
STREET ADDRESS: _____
CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____
EMAIL ADDRESS: _____
PHONE NUMBER: _____
CELL PHONE NUMBER: _____

TITLE OF WORK _____

Have you exhibited in our show before?

Yes No

Medium

Acrylic

Alcohol Ink

Oil

Pastel

- Multimedia
 - Watercolor
 - Colored Pencils
 - Other
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Digital Image in jpeg, tiff or gif format and be at least 300 dpi is attached.

RULES AND WAIVERS

CONTESTANTS --

- There is NO FEE for entering this Contest.
- Applicants must be 18 years of age or older
- **Must** be a resident of Spotsylvania County.

POSTER --

- The name (Spotsy Arts Festival) or Date (month, days, year) or (year) do not have to be incorporated into the poster's design unless they are integral to the design but can be. However, if it isn't the design **must** allow space for the official title and date.
- Original work only! Do not use or incorporate copyrighted artwork, photos or work that has been previously submitted to this or other competitions.
 - Any application not complying will be automatically rejected
 - If a Poster Winner is subsequently found to incorporate any such items, they will be required to return their winnings and will be rejected from any future participation in the Spotsy Arts Festival's Poster Contest.
- SAF reserves the right to reject any or all of the submissions.
 - Submissions that contain content that is considered offensive, such as nudity or profanity will be automatically rejected.
 - If the Judges decide that none of the applications meet the Festival Criteria, they will be rejected and the Contest will be opened to anyone residing in Virginia and the submission date will be November 30.
- Designs must be
 - Submitted digitally in jpeg, tiff or gif format and be at least 300 dpi
 - The image **MUST NOT** include the name of the artist or any identifying symbols
 - The application must contain the Name, Address, Phone Number and Email address.
- Submission must be able to be enlarged into poster format.
- Only one entry per application.

FESTIVAL --

- This event is held **RAIN OR SHINE**.
- Each Exhibitor is responsible for their own display materials. Tents, tables and chairs are **NOT** provided.
- Tents, tables, hanging system will be provided if requested.
- Only artists accepted in to the Spotsy Arts Festival are permitted to participate. Subletting, selling or giving space to anyone is not permitted.
- All work and displays must stay within your designated spot. No boxes, extra merchandise or debris should be visible. The assigned area must be kept clean throughout the event and be left spotless afterwards. No soliciting merchandise or services.
- Exhibitors must participate both days for the full duration of the show.
- Rude, obscene or abusive language and/or threatening or actual physical restraint and/or abuse of another Exhibitor, staff or the public is strictly prohibited and will result in immediate removal and banishment from participation in future shows.
- Do not distribute material outside of your designated booth space or loudly solicit visitors into your exhibit space. Amplified music is not permitted, except for entertainment contracted by the Festival Director.
- Photographs will be taken during the Festival. It is understood these photographs can or will be used in future advertising and promotions for the Spotsy Arts Festival.
- Each Exhibitor must have their own insurance.
- All local laws must be followed.
- Must agree to be responsible for the collection of Virginia State Sales Tax.
- Must assume all of the risks in participating in the Spotsy Arts Festival, which includes JART, Inc. and Spotsylvania County, as an Exhibitor, Vendor, Performer or Volunteer and any and all associated activities including but not limited to --
 - Waive, Release, Discharge, Indemnify and Hold Harmless from any and all liability JART, Inc. Spotsylvania County and any of their employees, directors, consultants, Members of the Board, volunteers, representatives, agents, assign successors, contractors, suppliers, exhibitors, vendors, event sponsors regarding any and all claims that my participation could give rise to any claim or otherwise cause liability

I CERTIFY THT I HAVE READ THE RULES AND WAIVERS AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTEXT. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL. I FULLY INTENT THIS AGREEMENT TO BE BINDING, HAVE LEGAL EFFECT.

Signature _____ Date _____

REGISTRATION IS NOT COMPLETE RECEIPT OF DIGITAL PICTURE IMAGE OR YOUR SUBMISSION AND SIGNATURE.

**The First, Second and Third Place Winners WILL BE NOTIFIED NLT October 15
These Winners will also be announced on the SAF Website –www.SpotsyArtsFestival.com**

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PLEASE PROVIDE THIS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Social Pages

Tell us if you are on social media.

o Instagram:

o Twitter ID:

o Facebook Fan Page:

o Additional Comments:

If you have additional questions or comments, let us know here.

- Submit Form