

2026 SENIOR ART SHOW

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I. PURPOSE:

To promote and encourage the best efforts of all serious artists in the Coastal Carolina area.
To present to the fair-going public examples of the trends in art and the skills of our local artists.
To stimulate someone into discovering the joy and challenges only art can provide.

II. ELIGIBILITY: All artists who reside in the Coastal Carolina Fair area of Beaufort, Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, and Georgetown Counties, and who are 18 years of age and older.

III. ENTRY PROCEDURE

1. All eligible artists may enter two (2) works (painting, drawing, print, or sculpture), but will be eligible for only one award. Work must be original (COPIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED), done entirely by the artist, and must not be more than 2 years old.
2. The Fair Committee reserves the right to refuse to accept any work it considers unsuitable for the Exhibit.
3. All paintings, drawings, and prints must be framed and **MUST NOT EXCEED 48 INCHES OVERALL** in either dimension. No exceptions will be made to this rule. **ALL FRAMED ENTRIES SHOULD BE PROVIDED WITH SCREW EYES AND WIRE READY FOR HANGING.** Entries with wet paint or flimsy framing will not be accepted. Sculpture must be accompanied by a sturdy pedestal and must be of a size and weight to permit ease of handling and installation.
4. All entries will be reviewed by competent jurors appointed by the Fair Committee and their selections will constitute the exhibit. **DECISIONS OF THE JUDGES WILL BE FINAL.**
5. No entry fee is required. One entry slip must be completed for each work submitted.
6. Entries must be presented at the **Exchange Hall Blue Room on Sunday, October 25, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.** and will be accepted at no other time. All works must be unpacked and ready for hanging or installation if accepted for exhibition.
7. All accepted and rejected works must be claimed on **Monday, November 9, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** **Even if you have entered additional works in another Coastal Carolina Fair show, you will only be allowed to pick up works from this show at the above times. Please plan accordingly.** Any work not claimed at the specified times will not be guarded and will be left only at the owner's risk.
8. The Fair Committee reserves the right to use photographs of any submitted artwork on its website and promotional materials, at its sole discretion.

IV. EXHIBITION: The Fine Arts Exhibit will be shown at the Exchange Park and will be attended by a custodian selected by the Fair Committee.

V. AWARDS

The jurors will select those entries acceptable for the exhibit and will choose the highest award, known as "The Exchange Club Award," which will carry a \$300.00 cash prize. The winning artist will retain ownership of the painting.

The jurors will also designate four works as worthy of Awards of Merit – a "Charleston Award" and three other general awards, all of which carry a cash prize of \$150.00 each. The "Charleston Award" is for the entry that, in the opinion of the jurors, best captures the look and "feel" of the Charleston Lowcountry. In addition, the jurors will select as "Honorable Mention" up to eight (8) works worthy of mention, all of which carry a cash prize of \$75.00 each.

Entry cards are available at the Fair's Administrative Office at 9850 Highway 78, Ladson, SC 29456, and can be mailed upon request at 843-572-3161 or info@coastalcarolinafair.org.