

Dear Art Instructor,

The ninth annual **Art on the Square** and **High School Art Competition** will be held **May 18, 19, 20, 2012**

Greg Lawler's Art Fair Source Book™ has again named Art on the Square **1st. Best Fine Arts Show in the Country** for 2011. You won't want to miss all the art, music, demonstrations, and dance activities as well as the variety of food, drink and other entertainment that will be available all weekend. From an applicant pool of over 1000 professional artists, the chosen 100 artists will be coming from across the USA and many countries to display and sell their works.



The **High School Art Competition** will again be presented with over \$3500.00 in monetary prizes. Last year the response to the high school competition was tremendous with over 200 works of art displayed and judged. **An outstanding new addition to our show is the sponsorship award from Lindenwood University. The ten Artist's Choice winners will receive a \$10,000 Lindenwood scholarship. All other accepted entrants will receive a \$500.00 scholarship.** Please read the information enclosed for further details and instructions.

I have enclosed an application for your students and the rules and requirements sheet. Make more copies as needed. Additional applications can be downloaded from our web site www.artonthesquare.com. Please feel free to invite other high school teachers and their students to participate if they have not received an invitation from us. Applications will be accepted until the deadline of **May 1, 2012**

We are looking forward to working with you and your students. If you have any questions please contact one of us at the numbers provided below.

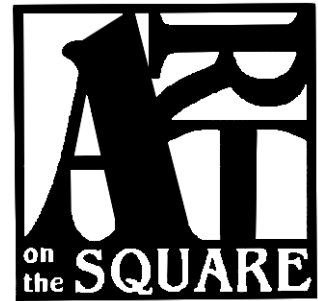
WHAT: The Art on the Square High School Art Competition

WHEN: May 18, 19, 20, 2012

WHERE: Regions Bank/St. Clair County Building, 19 Public Square, Belleville, IL

Sincerely,

George Gasparich (h) 213-6555 (c) 698-1262
Bill and Cindy Evans (h) 234-4794 (c) 530-6126 or (c) 567-9706



2012 Art on the Square High School Art Competition Rules and Details

WHEN: May 18, 19, 20, 2012

WHERE: Regions Bank/St. Clair County Building, 19 Public Square, Belleville, IL

WHAT: The Art on the Square High School Art Competition with over \$3500.00 in prizes. High school students may enter only one work of art. Entries are limited to 25 per teacher. An entry form must be completely filled out for each student and delivered by May 1.

PRIZES:

Art on the Square High School Art Competition:

- Best of Show: \$300.00
- Awards of Excellence (4): \$200.00
- Awards of Merit (8): \$100.00
- Illinois American Sponsorship Award: \$100.00
- Lindenwood University Awards: (10) \$10,000 Scholarships
- Lindenwood University Awards: \$500 Scholarship for each other entrant
- St. Clair County Historical Society Award: \$50.00
- Gateway East Artist's Guild: \$50.00
- Dick Blick Art Store Award: \$100.00
- People's Choice Awards (4): \$50.00
- St. Clair County Awards: \$300.00, \$150.00 & \$50.00
- Art on the Square Committee Award: \$100.00
- Belleville Kiwanis Awards: \$100.00, \$75.00, \$50.00
- Artists Choice Awards (10): \$50.00
- Delta Kappa Gamma Sorority: \$50.00

REQUIRMENTS FOR ENTRY:

1. Students must be enrolled in high school and age 19 or under.
2. Two-dimensional pieces must be framed under glass or Plexiglas with wire suitable for hanging. Or matted and framed using Swiss Clips and Plexiglas with wire suitable for hanging. This framing is available at most art or frame stores. Weak or dangerous hanging devices will disqualify the artwork. Canvases should have painted edges or simple frames.
3. Wet artwork will not be hung.
4. The student must complete the **Lindenwood** entry form and send it with our entry form to participate in the scholarships they offer.
5. Two-dimensional pieces including framing must be no larger than 36" X 40". Three-dimensional pieces must be stable and weigh less than 50 lbs.
6. Student name, title, media, size, school, and student phone number must be attached to the back of each piece of art (see form on application).
7. This is a family event and images should be suitable for the general public. Art on the Square reserves the right to remove objectionable images.

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8. Make sure all work meets the requirements of the competition.
9. **Incomplete or illegible entry forms will disqualify the artwork from entry and hanging.** Please fill out entry forms neatly and completely.
10. Entry forms must be completed neatly and mailed or delivered to be received by **May 1** to:

George Gasparich
335 Jubaka Drive
Fairview Heights, IL 62208

11. **Delivery of art work:**

May 11-15 during regular business hours at:

- Hall of Frames, 1961 West Highway 50, Fairview Heights 624-4733
- Gallery Of Gifts and Framing, 12 S. High, Belleville 277-8473
- Over the Edge Framing, 4 Club Center Ct., Edwardsville 655-0938

May 16 Wednesday, 11am to 4:00 pm. At:

Regions Bank/St. Clair County Bldg., 19 Public Square, Belleville, IL.
This is on the square in downtown Belleville northwest of the fountain.
Parking is available in the back off "A" street.

12. Awards presentation will be Sunday May 20 at 2 pm under the main stage tent on the square. Attendance is not necessary to win competition awards.
13. Artwork must be picked up after 4 pm Sunday May 20 at Regions Bank. For the sake of the show, please do not pick up artwork before 4 pm.

ATTENTION TEACHERS! PLEASE!

- 1) Please note the changes in the application and rules.
- 2) Please note we now need to enter the **student's county of residence** on the entry form.
- 3) **Starting this year entries are limited to 25 per teacher.**
- 4) **Lindenwood University forms must be completed and returned with Art on The Square entry forms to participate in the scholarship program.**
- 5) We need **signature releases** and **initials** on the entry form from the students, for themselves and their art work; from parents for the student; and from you the teacher, to be able to enter and so we can put pictures of the winners and their teachers on the Art on the Square website and publications.
- 6) At the awards ceremony we ask that the teachers accompany the winning student on stage to accept their award and for a photo opportunity. We know how much an art teacher contributes to the success of their students and would like to honor the teachers also.

Teachers should help their students COMPLETELY and NEATLY fill out the application form. Labels, awards, publicity, etc. will be made from the application. **Please check that hanging devices are workable and well attached. We cannot be responsible for damaged artwork because of poor framing or hanging devices.**

ART ON THE SQUARE HIGH SCHOOL ART COMPETITION APPLICATION

Send to: George Gasparich 335 Jubaka Drive, Fairview Heights, IL 62208

Due: May 1

PRINT NEATLY ONLY ONE ENTRY PER STUDENT PLEASE READ RULES

Title of artwork: _____

Student Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

Media: _____ 2-D: _____ 3-D: _____ Dimensions: H: _____ W: _____ D: _____

School: _____ Teacher: _____

Teacher Phone: _____ Teacher E-mail: _____

School Phone: _____ Student Phone: _____

Student Address, City, Zip: _____ County: _____

ART INSTRUCTOR AFFIRMATION: I affirm the above student is enrolled as a student at the high school listed. I also affirm this student's artwork to be of sufficient merit to represent his/her high school. I further affirm this artwork represents the student's artistic skill and was executed solely by the student.

My name, likeness and school affiliation may be used by AOS High School Exhibit publications and website for advertising and promotional purposes. **Please initial:** yes _____ or no _____.

Teacher signature: _____ **Date:** _____

STUDENT AFFIRMATION: I affirm I am a full time student at the high school listed above. I also affirm this artwork was executed solely by me.

My name, likeness, artwork, and school affiliation may be used by AOS High School Exhibit publications and website for advertising and promotional purposes. **Please initial:** yes _____ or no _____.
If no, I give permission to use images of my artwork only. **Please initial:** yes _____ or no _____.

Student signature: _____ **Date:** _____

PARENTAL APPROVAL: I give permission for my child to participate in the Art on the Square High School Art Competition.

Parent signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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<u>TO BE ATTACHED TO THE BACK OF THE ARTWORK BY STUDENT BEFORE DELIVERY</u>	
Student's Name: _____	Media: _____
Title: _____	Teacher: _____
School: _____	Student Phone No. _____