



WCWS Submission *Guidelines*

For 2027 Rockies West National Show

Exhibition Dates Friday March 5-April 2, 2027

Entries open currently, **online only**, go to www.wcwsociety.net Rockies West National 2027 to view prospectus, enter information and pay fees. By entering online, you agree to abide by all show rules and guidelines.

Entry submission closes *Tuesday December 1, 2026*

Notice of acceptance or decline by email January 18, 2027

Please submit early so we can assist you with technical issues that may arise in the entry process.

Fees

Non members entry fee = \$40.00

WCWS members with current dues paid =\$35.00

How to Submit

JPEG or PNG, highest quality, 1200 pixels longest side. Label file (example: Grand Painting.jpeg). Do not use any punctuation in your file name. Only the image of the painting should be shown in the entry.

Eligibility and Conditions

The exhibition is open to all watercolor artists 18 years of age or older. The paintings must be on paper, limited to watermedia, and have the appearance of watercolor. Transparent watercolor, gouache, ink and acrylic are acceptable. No shiny varnished work. Work must be the artist's idea, composition and design, no internet photographs, no class work, or AI generated image. Paintings must have been completed in the last 3 years and signed by the artist. YUPO or unstretched canvas is acceptable and must be matted and framed under glass or Plexiglas. Collage must be on paper with the majority of the painting watermedia. No work previously accepted by WCWS or by The Art Center should be submitted. Maximum frame size is NOT to exceed 50" in either direction.

FRAMING

All paintings must be matted and framed in a professional manner. Plexiglas must be used for shipped paintings larger than 24" x 30". Glass is acceptable on hand delivered work or framed sizes 24"x 30" or less. Work must be framed with strong wire, tightly secured and ready to hang. (No sawtooth hangers). Mats must be of a light neutral color. A 1/4" colored liner is permitted. Metal frames with clip suspension on the back are discouraged. Any framing that does not meet these standards of excellence will not be exhibited.

Copyright Infringement

Your work must be original, and not derived from published images. Photo reference material must be taken by the artist. Paintings must match the juried image

Awards

BEST OF SHOW - \$1,000.00 OUTSTANDING COLORADO Artist \$500.00 FIRST PLACE \$700

SECOND PLACE \$500 THIRD PLACE \$300

Two WCWS MEMORIAL Awards

Glenwood Springs Art Guild

Delta Fine Arts

Merchandise Awards

Shipping artwork

Detailed instructions will be sent by email with notice of selection. All selected paintings should be shipped in sturdy and reusable cartons with 2" of foam on the perimeter of the painting. (NO POPCORN packaging).

Shipping via UPS or FEDEX ground will be accepted by **The Art Center** February 9, 2027 thru February 23rd, 2027.

Hand-delivered work will be accepted Tuesday March 2, 2027 **10 to 11am.**

Walk-in pick up of work will be Saturday April 3, 2027, 10 to 11am.

Sales

All paintings must be for sale. A commission of 30% will be assessed on sold work. NO CHANGES FROM ENTRY PRICE PERMITTED!

Liability

Submission of work waives all claims against WCWS and all individuals associated with the exhibit. Artists consent to the reproduction of their work on WCWS website, flyers and any advertising for the exhibit. Entries may not be removed before the close of the Rockies West National Show.

Exhibition Brochure

An attractive, color brochure with images from the exhibition will be given to all artists who enter the show. Additional brochures may be purchased. The brochure will also be posted on our website.

WCWS Rockies West National Watercolor Exhibition timeline:

- December 1, 2026 submission deadline
- January 18, 2027 notice of acceptance
- February 23, 2027 final deadline, all shipped work to Art Center
- March 2, 2027 hand delivered work to the Art Center
- March 3-5, 2027 WCWS artist workshop at the Art Center. paintings juried for awards
- March 5, 2027 First Friday show opening and awards presentation at the Art Center
- April 2, 2027 Exhibition ends
- April 3, 2027 uninstall, pick up and return paintings

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