

NMWS Members Only Exhibit -- Call for Entries

Hosted by New Mexico Watercolor Society-Southern Chapter

October 11-November 18, 2024

Juror: Lian Quan Zhen

Judge: Kathleen Key

New Mexico Watercolor Society-Southern Chapter invites all NMWS Members to submit artwork for selection to the 2024 Fall Exhibition. The theme of the exhibition is "**Five Thousand Years of Agriculture in New Mexico**". Somewhere around 5,000 years ago, indigenous people of the North American Southwest began to cultivate maize, an early version of what we know as corn today. Early maize was not much like the corn we know, but its cultivation enabled people who were essentially hunter-gatherers to remain in one area, allowing for the beginnings of what would later become the cultures of Ancestral Puebloans, Mogollon and Hohokam. Many changes in people, crops and practices have occurred in the last 5,000 years, but agriculture remains integral to culture and economy of the North American Southwest. Artists of the New Mexico Watercolor Society will draw on changes in Prehistoric, Historic and Contemporary agricultural practices and imagery to illustrate a beautiful timeline, supporting the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Museum's mission to promote the arts while educating Museum visitors about aesthetics and diversity in the artwork of historic and contemporary New Mexico.

Online registration for the Exhibition starts **6 AM Monday, June 24, 2024**

Deadline for entries is **6 PM Friday, August 9, 2024**

Enter through ArtCall: <https://nmws-sc-2024fallexhibition.artcall.org/>

All entries must comply with the terms and conditions of the prospectus. **Please read the entire prospectus carefully before you apply.** See [Prospectus Tab](#) at top.

For information on how to photograph or scan your paintings and more, **download our one page of instructions:** [Taking Photos and entering Art Call exhibitions](#)

Key Dates:

Registration Opens June 24, 2024 at 6 AM MDT

Submission Deadline August 9, 2024 at 6 PM MDT

Notification of Acceptance August 23, 2024

Deadline for Art Intake Friday, Sept 27, 2024, 10 AM-12 PM

Exhibition Open to Public Friday, Oct 11, 2024 10 AM

Exhibition Opening Reception Saturday, October 26 from 1:30-3:30 PM

Exhibition closes Monday, Nov 18, 2024 at 4 PM

Paintings Pickup Monday, Nov 25, 2024 from 1-3 PM

Key details:

- Must be a current member of NMWS. To become a member click [Join NMWS](#)
- Online entry only, June 24 - August 9, 2024
- \$30 for one entry, \$45 for two entries--all entries must be for sale (30% of sales price gallery commission will be made to and collected by New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum)
- Minimum image size: 8 x 10 OR 10 x 8 inches
- Maximum image size: 20 X 24 OR 24 x 20 inches
- Both traditional and non-traditional presentation are allowed as **detailed in the prospectus**
- Traditional framing (with a mat, under glazing, in a frame)
 - *Minimum mat width 2 inches on all sides (does not apply to alternate presentation of mounting on cradled board if a mat is not used)
 - *Maximum mat width 3.5 inches on all sides
 - *mat size does not apply to alternate presentation of mounting on cradled board if a mat is not used
 - *Traditional framing **REQUIRES** a mat between 2" and 3.5", white or off white (with colored liner if desired – refer to prospectus)
- Entries must be original and entirely the work of the artist and completed within the last 2 years. Any copying of others' work is not allowed. If copying is discovered, the entry will be declined or removed from competition.
- You may NOT enter works that have been previously accepted or shown in National Shows, Western Federation, Masterworks of New Mexico, or in NMWS Fall or Spring shows.
- Watermedia must be the dominant medium used; no mechanical means or reproduction is allowed in creation of submitted paintings
- Digital images: jpg only, less than 4mb, max of 4800px on longest side. File naming will be handled by the ArtCall website software
- In order to enter, you must first create an ArtCall account. Instructions for Registration are contained in a video entitled "User Entry Process Tutorial" at the bottom of this page. **Please View the Video Before Entering!**

Awards

Best of Show	\$350
First Place	\$300
Second Place	\$250
Third Place	\$200
Honorable Mention (2)	\$150

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