

# 47<sup>th</sup> Elkhart Juried Regional

October 4 - December 31, 2025

## Entry Form & Rules

***Over \$15,000 in Awards!***

Largest Cash Awards Show in Michiana!

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### RULES OF ELIGIBILITY

The Midwest Museum of American Art is pleased to announce the **47<sup>th</sup> Elkhart Juried Regional Art Exhibition, October 4 - December 31, 2025**. This all-media competition is open to artists 18 years and older who are residents of Allen, DeKalb, Elkhart, Fulton, Huntington, Jasper, Kosciusko, Lake, LaGrange, LaPorte, Marshall, Newton, Noble, Porter, Pulaski, St. Joseph, Starke, Steuben, Wabash or Whitley counties in Indiana and Berrien, Branch, Cass, or St. Joseph counties in Michigan. Each entrant may submit one (1) or two (2) works which must be original in concept and execution; created within the last two (2) years; not completed under instruction; and, not previously exhibited at the MMAA or any other competition within the region.

This competition provides a unique opportunity for artists of Michiana to gain exposure in a museum setting. The Elkhart Juried Regional has become an important survey of the very best of what is happening currently in the area. The MMAA has worked diligently for over four decades to create an environment of monetary support for Michiana artists; thereby avoiding competition by artists from larger metropolitan areas or multi-state regions. **For this reason we encourage all artists consider supporting the museum through an annual membership at any level.** Through your support MMAA is assured of continuing its commitment of excellence and operation.

***By entering your artwork in the 47<sup>th</sup> Elkhart Juried Regional you are consenting to the use of photographic images of yourself (the artist) and your artwork by the MMAA for marketing purposes with all media outlets and digital platforms including the MMAA website, Facebook page, & Instagram.***

**Each artist participating in the 47<sup>th</sup> Elkhart Juried Regional is required to fill out the attached IRS W-9 form in order to be eligible for any monetary awards.**

### ENTRY FEE:

- **\$25** for one entry
- **\$40** for two entries

Entry fees are **non-refundable**. Limit up to two (2) works per artist.

### ENTRIES DUE:

All works must be hand delivered to the museum from **September 2** through **September 13** during special museum hours, M-F, 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sat.-Sun., 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

### SIZE LIMITATIONS:

- Length or width may not exceed seven (7) feet
- No work of art may exceed 100 lbs. in weight

### FRAMING & PRESENTATION:

- All entries must be prepared for installation.
- Two-dimensional work must be framed and wired for hanging.
- Three-dimensional work should be self-supporting or be able to be placed on a pedestal.
- **No** installation pieces accepted.
- **No** works will be accepted that require the artist present for installation.

### PICK-UP OF NON-ACCEPTED WORKS:

Non-accepted work **must** be picked up September 17 through 26, M-F, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sat. – Sun. 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

### PICK-UP OF ACCEPTED WORKS:

Accepted works **must** remain for the duration of the exhibition. Accepted works may be picked up **January 2-31, 2026, Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.** The museum is closed on weekends during the month of January.

**Any artwork (accepted or non-accepted) not picked up by February 28, 2026, will automatically be considered the property of the Midwest Museum of American Art to dispose of in any way it sees fit.**

#### **SALE OF WORK:**

Every artist participating in the 47<sup>th</sup> Elkhart Juried Regional is required to fill out the attached IRS W-9 form in order to be eligible for any monetary awards and/or to have their works for sale during the regional.

- Unless otherwise indicated by the artist, all work is for sale.
- A commission of **40% on work sold** is payable to the MMAA.
- **There is no commission fee on Purchase Awards.**

#### **JURORS:**

The distinguished jurors for this exhibition are:

- **Brandon Briggs**, Professor of Painting, Bowling Green State University
- **Justin Johnson**, Gallery Director, University of St. Francis

#### **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY:**

The greatest care will be taken in the handling of all entries; however, as a condition of entry each artist releases and forever discharges the Midwest Museum of American Art (MMAA) and its employees, agents, officers, trustees and volunteers from any and all liability whatsoever, including the MMAA's own negligence, for any and all damages, losses to any works of art entered in the 47<sup>th</sup> Elkhart Juried Regional, including but not limited to any claims, demands, actions, causes of action, damages, costs, expenses and attorneys' fees.

#### **NOTICE OF AGREEMENT:**

If you **DO NOT** want your work considered for Best of Show, which becomes property of the MMAA and/or any of the listed Purchase Awards, please indicate this on the labels by checking **NO**.

Submission of a work to this exhibition shall be understood to indicate an agreement on the part of the artist with all conditions set forth. Each artist is asked to sign a statement on the notification card to this effect.

#### **2025 CALENDAR - IMPORTANT DATES**

**September 2 thru 13:** Entries to be hand delivered to the Midwest Museum of American Art

**September 14:** Judging

**September 15:** Notifications Mailed

**September 17 thru 26:** Non-Accepted works to be picked up

**September 27 thru October 3:** Museum Closed

**October 4:** Exhibition Opens to the Public

**December 31:** Exhibition Closes

#### **AWARDS - SELECTED BY JUDGES**

**\$1500 Best of Show Award**  
(becomes property of MMAA)

- \$250 Merit Award for Best in Painting
- \$250 Merit Award for Best in Photography
- \$250 Merit Award for Best in Sculpture
- \$250 Merit Award for Best in Ceramic
- \$250 Merit Award for Best in Mixed Media or Fiber
- \$250 Merit Award for Best in Drawing or Printmaking

#### **ADDITIONAL MERIT AWARDS**

As Selected by Donors

#### **PURCHASE AWARDS**

As selected by Purchase Award Patrons.

**Notification Card**

	ACCEPTED	NOT ACCEPTED
A _____ TITLE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B _____ TITLE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Further Information:**  
Call or write the Midwest Museum of American Art  
Phone: (574) 293-6660  
Write: 429 S. Main St., Elkhart, IN 46516  
email: [info@midwestmuseum.us](mailto:info@midwestmuseum.us)

Not accepted work must be picked up September 17 - September 26, 2025, during special museum hours.

Accepted works must remain for the duration of the exhibition and may then be picked up Monday through Friday on January 2-31, 2026, from 9:30AM to 5PM. MMAA will be closed on the weekends throughout the month of January. Any artwork not claimed by February 28, 2026, will automatically be considered the property of the Midwest Museum of American Art to dispose of in any way it sees fit.

I have read, understand, and agree to the Rules of Eligibility of the 47<sup>th</sup> Elkhart Juried Regional Exhibition, including limitation of liability provisions.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Entry No. \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE TYPE or PRINT Legibly

**ENTRY TAG A**

PLEASE TYPE or PRINT Legibly

ARTIST NAME

PHONE

ADDRESS (with ZIP)

TITLE

CONSIDER THIS PIECE FOR  
**BEST of SHOW** Yes No**PURCHASE AWARDS:**

\$900 Yes No

MEDIUM

\$700 Yes No

\$500 Yes No

VALUE

**WORK FOR SALE**

Yes No

ARTIST SIGNATURE OF AGREEMENT

DATE

☐

ACCEPTED

☐

NOT ACCEPTED

(attach to back left-hand corner of artwork) No. \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL

**ENTRY TAG B**

PLEASE TYPE or PRINT Legibly

ARTIST NAME

PHONE

ADDRESS (with ZIP)

TITLE

CONSIDER THIS PIECE FOR  
**BEST of SHOW** Yes No**PURCHASE AWARDS:**

\$900 Yes No

MEDIUM

\$700 Yes No

\$500 Yes No

VALUE

**WORK FOR SALE**

Yes No

ARTIST SIGNATURE OF AGREEMENT

DATE

☐

ACCEPTED

☐

NOT ACCEPTED

(attach to back left-hand corner of artwork) No. \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL

**Please Print this page and cut-out each tag. Fill in blanks completely.****Tags are to be placed on each of the reverse side of 2-D works or attached to 3-D works where tag can be read or marked.**

PLEASE PRINT THIS PAGE AT FULL SIZE 8.5 X 11 INCHES; It will not be processed otherwise.

INVENTORY NO. \_\_\_\_\_ (for Staff use)

**ENTRY TAG A**

PLEASE TYPE or PRINT Legibly

ARTIST NAME

PHONE

ADDRESS (with ZIP)

TITLE

CONSIDER THIS PIECE FOR  
**BEST of SHOW** Yes No

**PURCHASE AWARDS:**

**\$900** Yes No

MEDIUM

**\$700** Yes No

**\$500** Yes No

VALUE

**WORK FOR SALE**  
Yes No

ARTIST SIGNATURE OF AGREEMENT

DATE

☐

ACCEPTED

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NOT ACCEPTED

EMAIL

**ENTRY TAG B**

PLEASE TYPE or PRINT Legibly

ARTIST NAME

PHONE

ADDRESS (with ZIP)

TITLE

CONSIDER THIS PIECE FOR  
**BEST of SHOW** Yes No

**PURCHASE AWARDS:**

**\$900** Yes No

MEDIUM

**\$700** Yes No

**\$500** Yes No

VALUE

**WORK FOR SALE**  
Yes No

ARTIST SIGNATURE OF AGREEMENT

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EMAIL

•DO NOT CUT THESE TAGS OUT •

Bring this page at full size with you when you enter. This INVENTORY page must be filled out completely. It will be the record of your entry into the 47<sup>th</sup> Elkhart Juried Regional and must accompany your artwork in the inventory process.

PLEASE PRINT THIS PAGE AT FULL SIZE 8.5 X 11 INCHES; It will not be processed otherwise.

**Request for Taxpayer  
Identification Number and Certification**

Go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](http://www.irs.gov/FormW9) for instructions and the latest information.

**Give form to the  
requester. Do not  
send to the IRS.**

**Before you begin.** For guidance related to the purpose of Form W-9, see *Purpose of Form*, below.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	1	Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. (For a sole proprietor or disregarded entity, enter the owner's name on line 1, and enter the business/disregarded entity's name on line 2.)		
	2	Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above.		
	3a	Check the appropriate box for federal tax classification of the entity/individual whose name is entered on line 1. Check only <b>one</b> of the following seven boxes.  <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> C corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate  <input type="checkbox"/> LLC. Enter the tax classification (C = C corporation, S = S corporation, P = Partnership) _____ <b>Note:</b> Check the "LLC" box above and, in the entry space, enter the appropriate code (C, S, or P) for the tax classification of the LLC, unless it is a disregarded entity. A disregarded entity should instead check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.  <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) _____	4	Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):  Exempt payee code (if any) _____  Exemption from Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) reporting code (if any) _____  (Applies to accounts maintained outside the United States.)
	3b	If on line 3a you checked "Partnership" or "Trust/estate," or checked "LLC" and entered "P" as its tax classification, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate in which you have an ownership interest, check this box if you have any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries. See instructions _____ <input type="checkbox"/>		
	5	Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.). See instructions.	Requester's name and address (optional)	
	6	City, state, and ZIP code		
	7	List account number(s) here (optional)		

**Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)**

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

**Note:** If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. See also *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

<b>Social security number</b>									
				-					
<b>or</b>									
<b>Employer identification number</b>									
				-					

**Part II Certification**

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

**Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and, generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of U.S. person	Date

**General Instructions**

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

**Future developments.** For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](http://www.irs.gov/FormW9).

**What's New**

Line 3a has been modified to clarify how a disregarded entity completes this line. An LLC that is a disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Otherwise, it should check the "LLC" box and enter its appropriate tax classification.

New line 3b has been added to this form. A flow-through entity is required to complete this line to indicate that it has direct or indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries when it provides the Form W-9 to another flow-through entity in which it has an ownership interest. This change is intended to provide a flow-through entity with information regarding the status of its indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, so that it can satisfy any applicable reporting requirements. For example, a partnership that has any indirect foreign partners may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3. See the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

**Purpose of Form**

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS is giving you this form because they