



**BIENNIAL EXHIBITION**

**2026**

**March 21 to June 21**

**Switzer Gallery**



The Tri-State Arts Association held its first meeting on September 20, 1953 at the Huntington Museum of Art. From that first meeting to this day, our Association continues to have a positive relationship with HMA. The Tri-State Arts Association sponsors a biennial juried exhibition that draws artists from West Virginia, Ohio, and Kentucky. As cited in our mission, "The Tri-State Arts Association seeks to share our appreciation and enjoyment of the Arts within our community and make our region an arts destination." TSAA currently has 133 juried members (2025)

**Special Acknowledgements:** *John Farley, Senior Curator/Exhibition Designer and Ashley Ross Events Coordinator from the Huntington Museum of Art, Dennis Bills-Huntington Old Time Dance and Music. Honorable Mention Awards, Door Prizes, Ads in Exhibit Program : Aluminize, Blick Art Materials, Clear Bags, International Moulding, Blenko Glass, Huntington Convention & Visitors Bureau, FoodFair Supermarkets, RBC Wealth Management, - Boombox Academy, Lavalette Landscaping, Huntington Childrens Museum, True soul, MUZ collective, Brant & co barbershop and salon, We Care Auto Repair, A Cut Above Beauty Salon, and Lavalette Landscaping. Thank you to Jesse Thornton for creating the exhibit postcard. Leigh McDonald should be commended for her hard work as chairperson. Her committee of volunteers made our exhibition possible.*

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*All artwork is available for sale, except those marked 'NFS' Contact Leigh McDonald 954-857-1269 or Laura Moul 304-416-4522. Art cannot be picked up until the end of the show, which is June 22, 2026 10 am to noon and 1 to 3 pm.*

# 2026 TSAA EXHIBITION ARTISTS

**DIANE K. ARTHUR** *Golden Girls*  
Watercolor/Modern Proctorville OH \$1500

**TERRI BARRON** *Mission Accomplished*  
Oil Ironton, OH NFS

**KRISTEN BIRD** *Let Us Pray*  
Colored Pencil Cincinnati OH \$850

**LEE ANN BILLUP BLEVINS**  
*Birdwatching* Oil **1st PLACE** \$625  
*Faithful Friend* Oil Kenova, WV \$750

**MAGGIE BOGDAN** *Wild Gold*  
Acrylic South Point OH NFS  
**Robert Cremeans Memorial Award**

**MIKE BOWEN** *BL-456.001*  
Mixed Media Huntington WV \$950

**AMY BUMP** *Hunting Brunch - Bom-  
bus Huntii and Caragana Arborescens*  
Oil on Canvas Huntington WV \$900

**C CASSANO**  
*Still Life with Cherries and Saucer*  
Acrylic Huntington WV \$600

**LINDA CLIFFORD** *Folly Beach Pier*  
Infrared Photograph Milton WV \$180

**RACHAEL CRAWFORD** *Perturbed*  
Watercolor/Mixed Media Ashland KY  
NFS

**J. BIRD CREMEANS**  
*Pride and Prejudice* Digital Art  
Huntington WV \$1600

**RICK DAVIS** *Heron and Reeds*  
Photograph Lexington KY \$250

**GREG FAIRCHILD** *Golden Storm*  
*Diptych* South Point OH \$399

**BOB FISHER** *I Love My Guitar*  
Sculpture Charleston WV \$300

**ADAM GEDNEY** *Hoof and Thneed*  
Photograph **BEST OF SHOW** NFS  
*Reflection* Photograph \$1200  
Barboursville WV

**CHELSEA GLIDDEN** *Sunkissed* Ceramics  
Glenville WVNFS **Carter Taylor Seaton  
Memorial Award**

**SETH HILL** *View from King's Highway*  
Oil Clarksburg WV \$650

**BRANDON HOWARD**  
*Inside Merlin's Cave* Oil on Wood Panel  
Barboursville WV NFS

**VERNON HOWELL** *Out In and About*  
Mixed Media Barboursville WV \$900

**HONORABLE MENTION Mixed Media**  
**Sponsored by Blick art materials**

**DARREN JACKSON** *King and  
Queen* Stoneware \$1400 *Blue Mexi-  
can Lace* Stoneware \$350 Mason, WV

**CAIL JONES**  
*War Tiles* Ceramics \$500  
*Creature* Ceramics NFS  
Winchester KY

**HOMAIRA (AHMED) KHATUN** *Set  
of Four* Stoneware \$400 *Tall  
Vase* Stoneware \$1500  
Hurricane WV

**DEBORAH KOVACS-STURDEVANT**  
*The Fortune Teller* Polymer Clay/Mixed  
Media Cincinnati OH \$800

**Kathy Welch Memorial Award**

**RIC MacDOWELL**

*Abandoned Factory Graffiti*  
 Photograph \$365  
*Pierced* Photograph \$245  
 Charleston WV

**MICHAEL MAXSON**

*Far From Home* Photograph NFS  
 Hurricane WV

**LEIGH McDONALD** *Quall Hollow*

Watercolor Pour/Mixed Media  
 Proctorville OH \$575

**JADE MOLLOHAN****(FORREST JAMES)**

*Forged Nature Spirit #1*  
 Mixed Media (Found Objects)  
 Gallipolis OH NFS

**ACE MOORE** *Horatio Triptic* Digital  
 Huntington WV \$500

**MELANIE MYHRE**

*The Curious Crossing Into Elsewhere*  
 Acrylic Barboursville WV \$475

**D. C. OFFUTT, JR**

*Rare Macaw Pair* Photograph NFS  
*On the Prowl* Photograph NFS  
 Barboursville WV

**GAELIN QUEST**

*Gilgamesh and Enkidu* Digital Art  
 Beckley WV \$250

*156 entries were entered into this show by 80 artists,  
 Only 60 entries were accepted from 45 artists due to  
 gallery size.*

**DEBBIE RICHARDSON**

*Hummingbird Delight* Watercolor  
 Huntington WV \$750

**JOE SARTOR**

*Peaceful Assembly on Main*  
 Acrylic \$750  
*Feline Fantasy* Acrylic \$750  
 Morehead KY

**Honorable Mention Painting**  
**Sponsored by Blick art materials**

**DAVID SCHWENKER**

*Train Station* Photograph  
 Huntington WV \$500

**Honorable Mention Photography**  
**Sponsored by Aluminize**

**RANDY SELBE**

*Wild as the Wind* Ceramics/Clay \$355  
*Lightening Storm* Ceramics/Clay \$355  
 Hurricane, WV

**CHRISTINA SENIOR** Bead Embroidery  
*Wood Duck* **2ND PLACE** \$850  
*Nectar Snack* \$400

**DIANE SPRINGER** *Curious Cat*  
 Oil Lavalette WV \$300

**HONORABLE MENTION Painting**  
**Sponsored by Blick art materials**

**LARRY SUMPTER** *Sailing at Sunset*  
 Oil on Canvas Culloden WV \$495  
**Robert Hutton Memorial Award**

**JESSE THORNTON**

*The Frederick*  
 Photograph on Aluminum \$320  
*Marshall Memorial Fountain*  
 Photograph on Aluminum \$320  
 Huntington, WV

**TANYA WARWICK**

*Phoenix Rising* Glass Mosaic \$1200  
 Argillite KY

**MAIJA WEHR** *Twisted Flower Birch*  
 Soda Fired Ceramics \$100  
*Abstract* Soda Fired Ceramics \$250  
 Dry Ridge KY

**ROMEY WILLIAMSON**

*Ego Death* Ink on Illustration Board  
Lavalette WV \$500

**PAULA WOMACKS** *Carnival*

*Fiber/Needle Felt/Wet Felt* \$1500  
*Yellow Springs OH* **3RD PLACE**

**JEFF WOLF** *Azura Flow*

Photograph Worthington KY \$150

*Garden Friend*

Fiber/Needle Felt/Wet Felt \$1200

**JERRY WOMACKS** *High Gear*

*Wood Turned Yellow Springs OH* NFS

**Honorable Mention 3D****Sponsored by Blick art materials****CECIL YBANEZ** *Cygnus*

Mixed Media Richwood WV \$1853

*War Makes Monsters of All of Us*

Polymer Air Dry Clay/Found Object \$1750

*From the Jurors-Heidi Bender Kauffman and Rita Montrosse "We were delighted by the diversity of expression within the Tri-State region. We encourage all artists who submitted to continue their exploration of the creative world." March 9, 2026*

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<http://www.tri-stateartsassociation.org>

**2026 BIENNIAL EXHIBITION COMMITTEE** Leigh McDonald, Chairperson.

**Receiving and Jurying Day** Leigh McDonald, Laura Moul, Ann Grimes, Diane Arthur-Smallwood, Brandon Howard, Linda Clifford, Pam Conley, Trish Trent; Diane Springer, Josh Perry **Reception:** Linda Childers, Trish Trent, Karrie Lykins, Christie Saunders **Pick-up** Michelle Alford, Diane Smallwood-Arthur, Delores Johnson. **Pick-up end of show** June 22: Leigh McDonald, Laura Moul

*Special thanks to entire 2026 Biennial Exhibition Committee, and to Jesse Thornton for photographing winning art pictured in this program. Appreciation for Laura Moul who compiled this catalog and Leigh McDonald who produced the exhibit tags for our exhibit.*

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**SAVE THE DATES**

*Jurying of New Members* is Saturday, April 25, 2026 9 am to 12:30 pm Studio 2 behind the Huntington Museum of Art. Prospective members need to bring 5 pieces of original art in the same medium to be considered for membership into the Tri-State Arts Association, along with \$35 jurying fee. For more information visit our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/TriStateArtsAssociation>.

*Spring Art in the Park* Saturday, June 6 10 am-5 pm; Sunday, June 7 11 am-5pm  
*Fall Art in Park* Saturday, September 19 10-5 and Sunday, September 20 11-5  
Art in the Park is in Ritter Park near 10th Street and 13th Ave in Huntington, WV