

2026 GOVERNOR'S ALMOST HEAVEN ART EXHIBITION

The Department of Tourism invite you to participate in the annual Governor's Art Exhibition. Designed to showcase student creativity and the arts, this year's exhibition is a call for one-of-a-kind designs celebrating the 250th anniversary of the founding of our nation and the many contributions of West Virginia.

CONTEST GUIDELINES

- The exhibition is open to all West Virginia students grades K through 12. This is to include public, private, and home school students.
- A variety of two-dimensional submission types will be accepted, including painting, print making, digital art, drawing, photography and mixed media. No 3D artwork will be accepted.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Open call for entry submissions runs until **December 26, 2025**
- All entries must be hand-delivered or mailed to the Culture Center by **December 26, 2025**.
- Selected entries and student artists will be notified by **January 9, 2026**.
- The exhibit display opens on **mid-January** at the State Capitol.

ENTRY CHECKLIST

- ☐ Artwork must be one of the following standard sizes: 4x6, 5x7, 8x10, or 8.5x11 Inches.
 - Artwork smaller than 4x6 or larger than 8.5x11 will not be accepted
- ☐ Artwork must be unmatted.
- ☐ All submissions must include both completed copies of the Art Exhibition Entry Form.
 - The first entry form must be affixed to the back of the artwork.
 - The second entry form must be included with your submission.
- ☐ Students under the age of 18 must have a parent or guardian sign the form.

NOTE: Any artwork submitted without proper forms or consent will not be exhibited.

Mail completed forms to:

West Virginia Department of Tourism
ATTN: Sidney Duncan, Almost Heaven
The Culture Center
1900 Kanawha Blvd. East, Building 9
Charleston, WV 25305



ART EXHIBITION ENTRY FORM

Please affix this copy to the back of the artwork.

Student Name: _____ Teacher Name: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Student/Guardian Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Student/Guardian Email Address: _____

Student/Guardian Phone Number: _____

Teacher Email Address: _____

Teacher Phone Number: _____

Artwork Title: _____ Dimensions: Height: _____ Width: _____

Medium: ☐ Painting ☐ Printmaking ☐ Drawing ☐ Photography ☐ Mixed Media ☐ Other: _____

Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____