

Tenth Annual Museum of the Gulf Coast Art & Photography Contest 2025



KEY DATES

January 6 - 17, 2025	Entries Accepted
February 13, 2025	Awards Ceremony, Thursday, 6:00 – 7:30 pm
February 13 - April 19, 2025	Entries Exhibited in the Dunn Gallery
April 21 - March 2, 2025	Entry Pickup

Drop Off Address: Museum of the Gulf Coast
700 Procter Street
Port Arthur, TX 77640 (entry in back)

- 1. Artwork, Sculptures, and Photographs of any theme will be accepted.**
- 2. Entry Deadline is January 17, 2025 at 4:30 pm.**
- 3. Adults:** Up to two entries per adult will be accepted in Art, and 2 in Photography. Adult Entry Fee is \$15 per piece. Adults can enter 2 entries in both art and photography.
Students: Students sixth to twelfth grade may enter one entry at no charge in both Art and Photography. We will attempt to exhibit all of the entries, depending on the space available.
- 4. Flat entries must be framed, or mounted to a matte, board, or canvas. They must have a wire, or another mechanism for hanging. Loose paper will not be accepted. Please view the video for details at MuseumoftheGulfCoast.org/artphotocontest**
- 5. Hung entries should not exceed 40 inches in width, or 60 inches in length. Sculptures cannot exceed 30 inches in height or width.**
- 6. Entries previously entered in prior Museum of the Gulf Coast contests are not eligible.**
- 7. Entries may be of any medium the artist chooses, but may not include materials that may quickly degrade while being shown.**
- 8. The Museum reserves the right to refuse work that it deems inappropriate.**

All fees collected in the Adult divisions will be awarded to the winners in the adult divisions. For purposes of this competition, a professional artist is defined as someone who has sold more than three pieces (4 or more).

CATEGORIES: Adult Professional Art | Adult Nonprofessional Art | Adult Photography

Teen Division Art – Grades 9-12 | Youth Division Art - Grades 6-8 | Student Photography

In honor of Port Arthur artist Robert Rauschenberg's 100th birthday, select winning entries inspired by him will be awarded a Rauschenberg poster from our archives. If your entry was

inspired by this legendary and important artist, check off the box on the entry form below. Students: if you are unfamiliar with his work please visit our contest page at MuseumoftheGulfCoast.org and/or visit the museum. Our Rauschenberg exhibit was designed by the artist.

There are no fees for student entries grades 6 – 12.

Artists may choose to sell their work. The Museum keeps a 20% commission. Artists will be paid via check.

The award ceremony will include light snacks and refreshments.

Entries will be exhibited in the Dunn Gallery, and will be available for viewing during operating hours for the duration of the exhibit. All exhibited entries must remain with the museum through the duration of the exhibit.

Entries not picked up by the retrieval period of **April 21st – March 2nd, 2025** will become the property of The Museum of the Gulf Coast.

Student entries through schools will be picked up and returned to the student through an arrangement with the school. Teens may choose to pay the \$15 entry fee and enter an Adult Division. Cash prizes will be awarded in all categories. Amounts awarded per category will be determined by the number of entries.

The Museum of the Gulf Coast will not accept responsibility for lost or damaged entries. The utmost care will be taken with all entries.

Additional entry forms, and a video at MuseumoftheGulfCoast.org/artphotocontest will walk you through the process of preparing your entry.

Fill out **the top and bottom forms** for **EACH** entry. You must fill out both forms per entry.

“Medium” refers to the materials used to produce the work. The judges are often interested in how the piece was created – Artists: Oil, Watercolor, chalk, pencil, etc. Photographers may want to specify if photos are enhanced digitally, or if they were shot on negative. Sculptures: wood, clay, metal, etc.

Please fill out the email address! Email is how we will communicate with entrants.

Attach the entire page below to the back or bottom of your art entry. **Each entry should have a full page filled out twice.** Tape the bottom of the entry form to your entry and fold the top over. See the video at MuseumoftheGulfCoast.org/artphotocontest for more details.

PLEASE WRITE WITH ALL CAPITALS as LEGIBLY AS YOU ARE ABLE!! Your name and the title will be displayed alongside each entry while being exhibited. We want to make sure we are able to read and exhibit your information correctly.

(leave blank: 2025)

Name: _____

Title of Entry: _____

Medium: _____ Price (if for sale) _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

CIRCLE ONE: Adult Professional Art Adult Nonprofessional Art Adult Photography

Teen Art: Grades 9-12

Youth Art: Grades 6-8

Student Photography

Check here if this entry was inspired by Robert Rauschenberg

School _____ Grade _____ (student entries)
(if entering through your school)

(leave blank)

Name: _____

Title of Entry: _____

Medium: _____ Price (if for sale) _____

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