



Sixth Annual Show of Hands Open Art Show 2024

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The Blackstone Valley Art Association is sponsoring our sixth annual "Show of Hands" open art show! The public is warmly invited to participate in this art show! The theme is completely open. Your art can represent anything. This show is open to all forms of artistic expression EXCEPT photography / digital art. It is the counterpoint to our photography-only show in January. We would love to see watercolors, acrylic paintings, oil paintings, sculptures, pottery, mixed media, drawings, pastels, colored pencils, sketches, and other non-photographic / non-digital forms of artwork.

All levels of artists are enthusiastically encouraged to participate. This is a community show.

We award cash prizes!

When:

August 3 to September 7, 2024

Where:

BVAA Open Sky Uxbridge Community Gallery
5 South Main Street
Uxbridge, MA 01569

There is a LOT of free parking immediately next to this building. It is fully and easily handicapped accessible.

[BVAA Alternatives Uxbridge Community Art Gallery Information](#)

Entering the Show

The theme is wide open. You can represent ANYTHING with your art. Any topic can be addressed as long as it is family-friendly and is not photography / digital art. Artwork can be any size. That being said, please contact us first if you plan on bringing anything over 20" x 30" in size. We need to arrange for space for those separately.

All wall-hanging items must be properly wired for hanging. Our hanging system does not work with saw-tooth or triangle hangers. If you are new to preparing artwork for shows, read our page on [How to Mat and Frame a Photo](#). Please also check out our [Show Terms and Conditions](#)

Submissions

To submit your entries use our [BVAA Online Submission Form](#). The fee to participate is \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. You can submit up to 2 pieces for that fee. The deadline to submit the online form for labels is Saturday August 3rd at midnight. **Individuals served by Open Sky may request financial assistance by contacting michelle.benjamin@openskycs.org.**

Drop Off of Works

Work must be dropped off on **Saturday, August 3rd** between 10am and 3pm. Please only drop off at that specific day and time – it is when BVAA volunteers are at the gallery. All work which is brought in will be displayed in the show (as long as it is family-friendly and, if hanging on a wall, has proper wiring).

Opening Reception

The show reception will be Friday, August 9th, 2024 from 5-7. Invite family and friends – all are welcome! We tend to announce the prize winners at 6pm, right in the middle. We award cash prizes based on the amount of entry-fee money the show brings in. All the money that comes in for the show goes right back out to the people who win awards in that show.

Pick Up

Saturday, September 7th, 2024, from 10am to 3pm. If you aren't able to make that, contact us for other arrangements.