

# The 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Virginia Highlands Festival Juried Fine Art Show

## Rules and Entry Forms:

To enter your artwork in the juried art show:

1. Fill out an Art Identification Form (printed in this brochure) for each of as many as three of your paintings. Please print clearly! Cut the form(s) apart from this brochure and attach it/them each to the back, upper right hand corner(s) of the painting(s) it/they identify.
2. Fill out an Artist Entry Form (also printed in this brochure). Add \$20 for each painting (as a non-refundable entry fee) and write a check for the total amount (\$20, \$40, or \$60), payable to: Virginia Highlands Festival.
3. Send the check and Entry Form(s) to: Virginia Highlands Festival  
Fine Art Committee  
P.O. Box 801  
Abingdon, Virginia 24212
4. Then wait until “art delivery days” at The Arts Depot. (While you are not strictly required to have registered your art before you deliver it, having pre-registered it will save you processing time on delivery day.)
5. Deliver your artwork to The Arts Depot (Depot Square, “Downtown” Abingdon)  
2pm–5pm Saturday or Sunday, July 21 or 22.
6. Anyone entering the “Paint the Town” Plein Air Event will receive one free entry to the Juried Fine Arts Show.

Online pre-registration also available at [www.vahighlandsfestival.org](http://www.vahighlandsfestival.org)

PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE ARTS DEPOT REGARDING THE SHOW. INSTEAD, PLEASE CALL:

**Heather Eisenhart at [hbeisenhart@gmail.com](mailto:hbeisenhart@gmail.com) or the Virginia Highlands Festival Office 276-623-5266**

**Awards:** (1) Award of Excellence \$750; (3) Awards of Distinction, \$250 each; (3) Awards of Merit, \$100 each; (1) Gary Kimbrell Award \$100; (1) Plein Air Award \$100, and (1) People’s Choice Award, \$250.  
Voting for the People’s Choice Award will be conducted July 27 through August 3. Winner will be announced Thursday, August 3.

### PLEASE ATTEND:

- (1) **The Awards Presentation Ceremony**—to be conducted by the show’s Juror, Brent Skidmore, **Thursday, July 26, 2018 - 7pm at The Arts Depot on Depot Square, Abingdon.** Refreshments will be provided by Abingdon Booklovers.
- (2) **The Gallery of the Juried Fine Art Show** at The Arts Depot in Abingdon  
Open First Thursday in August 10am–5pm and 6pm–8pm  
**Friday, July 27, through Sunday, August 5th, 10am until 5pm, Sundays 1-5pm**

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Juried Fine Arts Show

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70<sup>th</sup> Annual Virginia Highlands Festival  
July 27–August 5  
Abingdon, Virginia  
CALL FOR ENTRIES—Juried Fine Art Show



## Art Identification Forms:

### Entry #1

Artist \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Medium \_\_\_\_\_  
Size \_\_\_\_\_  
Price \_\_\_\_\_  
(Cut on the dotted lines and place on upper-right back of painting #1.)

### Entry #2

Artist \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Medium \_\_\_\_\_  
Size \_\_\_\_\_  
Price \_\_\_\_\_  
(Cut on the dotted lines and place on upper-right back of painting #2.)

### Entry #3

Artist \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Medium \_\_\_\_\_  
Size \_\_\_\_\_  
Price \_\_\_\_\_  
(Cut on the dotted lines and place on upper-right back of painting #3.)

## Artist Entry Form:

Artist \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Medium \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
**\$20 Entry Fee for each painting  
Limit: three paintings per artist**

### Entry #1

Artist \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Medium \_\_\_\_\_  
Size \_\_\_\_\_  
Price \_\_\_\_\_

### Entry #2

Artist \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Medium \_\_\_\_\_  
Size \_\_\_\_\_  
Price \_\_\_\_\_

### Entry #3

Artist \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Medium \_\_\_\_\_  
Size \_\_\_\_\_  
Price \_\_\_\_\_

#### INFORMATION & GUIDELINES:

- **ONLY** those paintings selected by the juror will be hung in the gallery.
- Gallery selections will be made from all works submitted.
- All work accepted at the committee's discretion.
- Artwork must be priced by the artist at time of entry (see forms). If not for sale, mark "NFS" on the Art Identification Form and on the Artist Entry Form.
- The Virginia Highlands Festival commission on sales by the Juried Fine Arts Show is 30%.
- Entries are limited to only three per artist. (Diptychs, in two separate frames, will be counted as two entries. Triptychs, in three separate frames, will be counted as three entries.)
- No paintings will be received or returned by mail.
- Every care will be taken by the committee and the Festival, but neither can assume liability for loss or damage, whatever the cause. Submission of a work to the exhibition shall constitute an agreement to comply with all conditions set forth in this prospectus. It is suggested that artists wishing additional protection insure their works independently.

#### ENTRY CRITERIA:

1. All paintings must be artist's originals - made by the artist's hands - and executed solely by the artist within the most recent two years (copyrighted material will not be accepted.)
2. 2D artwork ONLY
3. Mixed media is acceptable, however digital media is a separately exhibited category. (See photography contest guidelines.)
4. Entries should not include those accepted in previous years.
5. The entry fee must accompany the entry form.
6. All works must be entered by the artist or designated agent.
7. Provided identification forms must be on back of paintings.
8. Plexiglass suggested, glass accepted at artist's risk.
9. All paintings must be WIRED and ready for hanging.
10. No saw-toothed hangers will be accepted.
11. Unframed wraparound canvas and cradle boards will be accepted only if: (1) it is at least 1-1.2 inches in depth, (2) the sides are completely painted, and (3) no staples are visible.
12. Paint and other materials MUST be dry.
13. Maximum size: 52 inches by 52 inches by 4 inches, including frame

**\*\*Artwork not meeting the above criteria will not be accepted or judged.\*\***

#### **Brent Skidmore Juror, 2018 Virginia Highlands Festival Fine Art Show**

Brent Skidmore now serves as Associate Professor of Art & Art History and Director of Craft Studies. He received his MFA in Sculpture from Indiana University in 1990 and a BFA in Sculpture from Murray State University in 1987.

While Brent's background is in sculpture he primarily makes studio furniture these days when he is not directing the Craft Studies programming at UNC Asheville and in the Asheville community.

He has been teaching in many capacities for 26 years at universities and many of the craft programs across the nation such as Penland, Arrowmont, Anderson Ranch and Peter's Valley. After being out on his own running Brent Skidmore Studio for 8 years, he returned in 2004 to full-time teaching at Kendall College of Art and Design in Grand Rapids, Michigan. In 2007 accepted his current position at UNC Asheville where he continues to teach in the department of Art and Art History while collaborating with his peers in Mechatronics, CSCI and New Media to develop STEAM @ the RAMP, a fabrication and design lab.

His work and hand processes are included in a recent Lark Publication entitled "The Penland Book of Woodworking". He has shown his work extensively across the nation, Finland and most recently internationally in Dubai, UAE. Exhibitions of Brent's personal work have included the Smithsonian Craft Show and SOFA-Chicago. The work of Brent's students has been included in the American Craft Council show in Baltimore and the International Exhibition of Office Furniture in Dubai. Many of Brent's students have received some of the highest honors given to new makers.



#### **When to Pick Up Artwork**

- Artwork not in the Juried Show can be picked up at The Arts Depot July 27 – August 5, 10am–5pm, Sundays 1–5pm

- **Exhibited artwork may not be removed from the show until Sunday, August 5 4–6pm**

**FINE FOR EARLY REMOVAL: \$20.00**

- Neither the Virginia Highlands Festival nor The Arts Depot are responsible for artwork not picked up after August 8, 2018.

- Artwork not picked up by August 25, 2018 will become the property of the Virginia Highlands Festival.

Join us for the

#### **"Paint the Town" Plein Art Event**

May 19th 10AM-3PM Plein Air Paint-out throughout downtown Abingdon  
5PM - Pop-Up Gallery at William King Museum of Art