Rules

- To qualify for entry, the artist must be enrolled at a VA Medical Center or Outpatient Clinic **BEFORE** entering the local competition.
- All art must have been created after April 1, 2014, except for Military Combat Experience entries.
- The VA facility staff and the judges have the right to change an entry's category.
- The VA facility reserves the right to withhold entries from public viewing.
- Working GUNS, KNIVES or other WEAPONS will **not** be accepted due to VA regulations banning these items from VA facilities.
- A Veteran can enter up to three categories, but ONLY one entry per category per Veteran.
- It is recommended that hanging art is mounted, framed, and ready for display.

RESPONSIBILITY-LIABILITY

All possible care will be taken in handling objects submitted for judging. However, ***the VA facility cannot be responsible for any LOSS or DAMAGE.***

Artwork Size Restrictions - Each National Art entry must be able to fit into **one box**. The box can be up to 150 lbs., up to 165 inches in length and girth combined. Length cannot exceed 108 inches. To measure packages use the following formula: **length + 2x width + 2x height**

JUDGING

A panel of judges from the local arts community will judge the works.

Local first place entries in each art category will have the opportunity to compete in the 2015 National Creative Arts Festival.

Entries for the National Competition will be submitted as digital images/videos for the first phase of national judging.

To Enter or QUESTIONS

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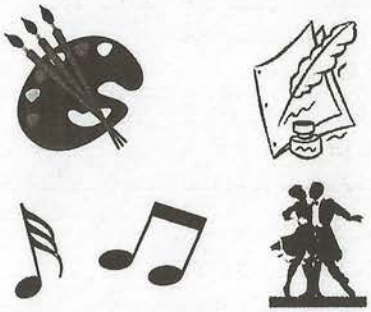
The VA Art Competition and Show provide Veterans with an opportunity to be acknowledged for their artistic talents and skills.

National Veterans Creative Arts Competition

Art - Creative Writing - Dance - Drama - Music

2015 Local Austin VA Outpatient Clinic Competition



VA Art Show

Date: MARCH 2015

Place: Austin VA Outpatient Clinic
7901 Metropolis

Applied Art and Fine Art Categories

Acrylic Painting
Oil Painting
Watercolor
Sculpture
Carving
Graphics
Pastels
Pottery
Mosaic
Collage
Knotting
Metalwork
Glasswork
Beadwork
Colored Drawing
Assemblage
Monochromatic Drawing
Color Photography
Group Art
Black and White Photography
Fine Art Mixed Media
Glazed Ceramics
Woodworking
Painted or Stained Ceramics
Pyrography (original design)
Jewelry (no beads)
Leather Stamping
Crocheting/Knitting
Needlework (original design)
Fiber Arts (original design)
Leather Carving/Tooling
Scroll Saw/Fretwork
Applied Arts Mixed Media

Kit Categories

Leather
Needlework
Wood Building
Craft Coloring Kits
Fabric Art
Latch Hook
Paint by Number
Figurine Painting
Transfer/Engraving Art Kits
Model Building (Plastic, Wood or Metal)
String Art
Mosaic
Suncatcher or Sand Art
Combined

Special Art Categories

Special Recognition - A description of the physical and/or mental health challenges the Veteran overcame in order to accomplish the creation of his art is required to qualify for this category. The description, not to exceed 225 words can be written by the Veteran or the Veteran's VA staff contact person, nurse, physician or practitioner.

Military Combat Experience - The Veteran must have experienced combat duty during World War II, Korean War, Vietnam, Gulf War, or current combat operations. The artwork must relate to the Veteran's personal experience in that war or conflict. A statement explaining how the art relates to the Veteran's wartime experience, composed by the Veteran and/or his VA staff contact person of 25 to 225 words MUST be included with each entry. The medium used must be a fine art or applied art medium. *Kits are not allowed.*

Digital Art – Art that was created using digital technology in the process of its creation. The work is created entirely with the computer and includes 2D graphics as well as 3D graphics. All original entries in the Digital Art categories must be printed, mounted and framed. It is REQUIRED that the software programs used be listed in the "mediums/techniques used" section of the entry form. ANIMATION AND VIDEOS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

Creative Writing Categories

Poetry, Essay, Personal Experience
Short, Short Story,
Monologue/Duologue,
Special Recognition

Dance Categories

Solo & Group
Ambulatory and Wheelchair
Structured, Novelty
Country, Line Dancing
Folk/Ethnic/Cultural
Interpretive Movement
Tap, Jazz, Ballet
Inspirational, Freestyle
Senior and Special Recognition

Drama Categories

Solo and Group Original &
Existing Works, Comedy
Prose and Poetry
Interpretive Performance
Mime, Juggling, Magic
Puppetry/Ventriloquism
Multimedia Video
Senior and Special Recognition

Music Categories

Solo or Group
Instrumental and Vocal
Original Compositions
Senior and Special Recognition

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Austin Community College, in partnership with the Texas Workforce Commission, is proud to announce an outstanding opportunity for area veterans. The Veterans Training Program is designed to prepare local veterans to enter a career in information technology. Participants may choose from training tracks designed to lead to a career as a Computer User Support Specialist, Network and Computer Systems Administrator, Information Security Analyst, or Apple iOS Developer. **There is no cost for qualified veterans to participate in this program.** All that is required is your time and commitment.

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- Red Hat Linux
- Cisco Certified Entry Networking Technician
- Microsoft SQL Server
- Oracle Database Administration
- Java Programming
- Fiber Optics
- VMware Certification

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- Cisco Certified Networking Associate Security

Apple iOS Developer

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Available programs include:

- Mobile Application Development

For more information contact the program coordinator or visit:
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