

2026 All Tehachapi Youth Art Contest

Sponsored by Tehachapi Valley Arts Association and Gallery 'N' Gifts

PURPOSE: To present an exhibition of excellent new works of art by the youth of Tehachapi in grades K- 12.

ELIGIBILITY: Must be a Tehachapi area youth or attend a school within the Tehachapi Unified School District.

All entries must be the original work of the entrant.

All accepted works must have been created within the last 12 months. **Flat work must be mounted, matted or framed and entire outside measurements cannot exceed 11"x 14"**.

Photography must be a minimum 8" x 10" print. Sculpture must not exceed 50 lb.. Artist must supply suitable stand for large sculpture. No unfired clay pieces will be accepted. No wet paint. Frames must have wire and be ready to hang.

All submitted works must be suitable for all-family viewing. Acceptance of questionable subject matter will be at the discretion of the judges. Their decision will be final.

ARTWORK ACCEPTED: Flat works of all media, sculpture, **photography (High School Only)**, wheel thrown pottery or works of baked or fired clay.

ENTRY: Only one art entry per child.

FEE: \$2.00 per child.

RECEIVING DATES: **March 20-30, 2026** at Gallery N' Gifts, 100 W. Tehachapi Blvd. 10 to 5 daily.

LABELING: Entry forms and labels will be available at Gallery 'N' Gifts. Affix the label which includes name of artist, age and grade, title, size and the medium of the work on the back of the flat work or on the bottom of the sculpture.

LIABILITY: The Tehachapi Valley Arts Association does not assume responsibility or liability for loss, theft, or damage of any kind to works exhibited. All reasonable care will be taken in handling and exhibiting the art works.

JUDGING AND AWARDS : Entrants will be judged within one of the following Age/Grade groups:

I. Kindergarten First and Second grade.

II. Grades Three, Four and Five.

III. Middle School (6,7,8 grades)

IV. High School (9-12 grades)

Works will be judged by jurors selected by Tehachapi Valley Arts Association. Works will be judged on Composition, Originality, Technique, and Presentation. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons will be awarded for each category. Best of show Awards: Grades K-8 Division will receive \$50.00 and The High School Division will receive \$75.00.

ALL DECISIONS WILL BE FINAL.

RECEPTION: A reception in honor of all the exhibitors will be held Friday April 3 4-6pm and Saturday April 4, 2026 from 11 - 2 pm at Gallery 'N' Gifts, 100 west Tehachapi Blvd. All work will remain on exhibit throughout the month of April.

SALES: Entries will **not** be for sale during the exhibit.

RETURN OF WORK AT CONTEST'S END : All works must be picked up from the Gallery April 29 through May 8, 10 am - 5 pm daily. Please do not pick up works before the show's end. We cannot store art works after the pickup date. Works not picked up by May 8 will be given to charity. Make arrangements to have works picked up.

INFORMATION : Contact Gallery 'N' Gifts (822-6062)

Visit our website: www.galleryngifts.com

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ATYAC Entry Form PART ONE (attach to back)

Entrant's name _____

Phone number _____

Grade level _____ School _____

Teacher's name _____

Title of artwork _____

Artwork medium _____

Entry number _____ Fee Paid _____

ATYAC Entry Form PART TWO (to Contest Coordinator)

Entrant's name _____

Grade level _____ School _____

Teacher's name _____

Title of artwork _____

Artwork medium _____

Parent's signature _____

Date _____ Phone number _____

E-mail address _____

Fee Paid _____ Entry number _____