



Ohio Watercolor Society

42nd Annual Juried Exhibition Watercolor Ohio 2019

Mansfield Art Center
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Mansfield, Ohio 44906
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Juror of Selection and Awards
Bill Vrscak

Entries due:	Saturday, April 29, 2019 (POSTMARKED)
Notification of entrants:	Week of June 10, 2019
Delivery of accepted works: (hand-delivery only)	Saturday, August 3, 10am-4pm Sunday, August 4, 10am-4pm
Bill Vrscak Free Gallery Talk	Sunday, August 4, 2pm-4pm
Bill Vrscak Workshop	Tuesday, August 6 - Thursday, August 8, 2019
Exhibit opens to public and OWS Reception	Saturday, September 28, 2019
Closing date of exhibition:	Saturday, October 27, 2019
Painting Pick Up	Tuesday, October 29, 10am-4pm

Eligible Artists:

- All Ohio residents, 18 years of age or older
 - Any member of an Ohio art organization who lives out-of-state in an area or city that borders the state of Ohio
 - Any OWS Signature member or Associate whose dues are paid by April 29, 2019.
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About the Juror...

Bill Vrscak is a free-lance artist/illustrator and signature member of the American Watercolor Society, Associated Artists of Pittsburgh and the Pittsburgh Society of Illustrators. Vrscak studied painting and design at the Ivy School of Art and worked in the graphic arts industry 16 years before striking out on his own as a graphic designer and illustrator. He is a representational painter whose work reflects a strong sense of freshness and simplicity, consistent with his attitude that "the simplest statements make the most impact." A frequent national award winner, his work has been widely published in many major arts publications. His paintings reside in many corporate and private collections in the U.S., Canada, England, and Australia. Besides doing illustration and commission work he has taught painting workshops and seminars throughout the United States as well as Canada and the Virgin Islands. Bill lives in Pittsburgh with his wife, Marlene, and their ill-mannered dog, Riley.

All entries must be matted and framed and have acrylic ("Plexiglas") glazing

Minimum IMAGE size is 121 square inches (multiply height x width).

Maximum frame size is 48" on either dimension.

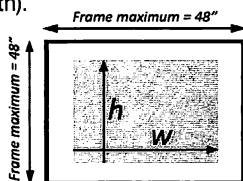
Weight: 50 pounds maximum

Framing: Simple, wired, ready to hang

Glazing: Plexiglas (acrylic)—no glass accepted

Matting: Top mat (if multiple) must be white or off white

Acceptance notices will provide specific instructions.



ENTRY DEADLINE:

Mailed entries must be postmarked by April 29, 2019. All entries postmarked after April 29 will be returned unopened. Electronic entries must be submitted by 11:59pm on April 29, 2019.

Entry Instructions: There are two ways to enter Watercolor Ohio 2019.

(NOTE: no SASE is needed if you are willing to receive notification and forms via email.)

BY CD

Send your image(s) on a CD by US Mail along with a signed Entry Card and a signed check (if submitting a second entry) [and a #10 SASE (with 2 "Forever" stamps) if you want notification via USPS]. CDs will not be returned.

BY EMAIL

Email your image(s) as an attachment to: ows.exhibition@gmail.com and include your artist and entry information in the body of the email. If you are submitting two entries, mail a signed check [and a #10 SASE (with 2 "Forever" stamps) if you want notification via USPS].

Image Specifications:

File Format: Save all images as JPEG.

File Size: JPEGs should be 1-5 MB.

Contact Tom Sorrell if you have any questions about the specifications:

ows.exhibition@gmail.com

Hanging Fee:

Only one painting per artist will be accepted for the show. All accepted artists will be charged a \$15 hanging fee.

Entry Card:

Did you sign your card? In order for an accepted painting to be eligible for an award, the painting must be released for the OWS Travel Show.

Name files as : LastName-title.jpg

(e.g., Vangogh-Sunflowers.jpg)

A painting label and instructions will be sent to artists whose painting is accepted.

All information on the painting label must agree with the entry information. No price changes will be honored.

Entry Fee:

• Write check payable to:

Ohio Watercolor Society

• OWS Signature members and Associates; first entry is free; second entry is \$15.

• Non-members: first entry is \$20, second entry is \$15

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

To become an Associate of the OWS, go to the “Join OWS” page on the OWS website (www.ohiowatercolorsociety.org), click the “Associate Membership Application” button and follow the instructions. The application form with a \$30 check for Associate membership may be sent with your entry card and you will receive your first entry for free. A second entry is an additional \$15.

SIGNATURE MEMBERSHIP

Any artist who has been accepted in two OWS annual exhibitions is eligible for review for Signature membership. The application deadline is June 16, 2019. Application is by email only. For details of the procedure, go to the “Join OWS” page on the OWS website (www.ohiowatercolorsociety.org), click the “Apply for Signature Membership” button and follow the instructions.

Questions about Signature membership?

Contact Yuki Hall, Membership Secretary

Phone: 937.426.7229

Email: yukihallfineart@gmail.com

TRAVEL SHOW

The juror will select up to 32 works including all award-winners for the OWS Travel Show. These selected works will be exhibited in museums, art centers and galleries throughout the state between November 2019 and May 2020.

LIABILITY

The Ohio Watercolor Society and the hosting gallery accept no liability for damage to paintings. All entries listed as “not for sale” (NFS) must have a value stated on the entry form.

SALES

30% of the sales price will be retained as a commission to be given to the gallery and/or as a donation to OWS. The artist will receive 70%. All work sold must remain in the exhibit and, if selected, in the Travel Show until these exhibits close.

AWARDS

Awards are decided by the juror based on review of the actual paintings. Awards in previous years have averaged more than \$5000 in cash and materials.

Entry Card

Name _____ Phone _____

Email address _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Signature member or Associate – 1st entry free

Non-member –1st entry \$20 All participants –2nd entry \$15

Out-of-state Non-members: name of Ohio art group affiliation:

Eligible Work:

Original work only; paintings done in classes or workshops or compositions that are copies of another person's photos, drawings or paintings will NOT be accepted. Painting must have been completed within the past three years. Eligible water-based mediums consist of watercolor, thinned acrylic, casein, gouache and egg tempera. Water-soluble oil paints are not eligible. Collage materials must be artist generated using a water-based medium on a surface that accepts watermedia, excluding commercially or mechanically-printed substrates. The maximum allowed depth of the collage is 2-1/2 inches. Paintings may be done on any material that supports the paint, including paper, illustration board, canvas and Yupo. All entries must be framed and glazed with Plexiglas (acrylic). Decisions of the Juror and the OWS Exhibition Committee with respect to originality and eligibility criteria are binding and final.

Title (1): _____

Price: _____ NFS Value if NFS _____

Image size: H: _____ W: _____

Framed size: H: _____ W: _____

Title (2): _____

Price: _____ NFS Value if NFS _____

Image size: H: _____ W: _____

Framed size: H: _____ W: _____

Paintings not released for the Travel Show are not eligible for awards.

I will... I will not... release my painting for the Travel Show.

I certify that the paintings submitted are my own concept. If reference photos were used, they are mine. I grant permission for OWS to reproduce my artwork for publicity or publication purposes.

Signed _____ Date _____

Mail entries to:

Watercolor Ohio 2019
3839 Wheatlands Rd
Sylvania, OH 43560