

## Information and Rules for the Virtual VAST Mini-Show

1. VAST accepts ONE photo per artist of his/her **artwork of any media type** between the first and the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month at midnight (firm deadline). Please email your photo to [vote@VASTArts.org](mailto:vote@VASTArts.org) before the deadline.
2. Please **name your entry photo file** (jpg format please!) using this style:  
ENTRY MONTH AND ENTRY-YEAR\_SubmittingArtistLastName\_Title\_Of\_Work.jpg  
(For example: **January2021\_Smith\_Title\_of\_Art\_Work.jpg**)
3. In your entry email please include these items:
  1. Your Full Name
  2. Title of the Artwork
  3. Your Snail Mail Mailing Address and Phone Number
  4. Brief description of your media
4. The **total maximum photo size** that can be accepted online is **from 432 to 1800 pixels** (the lower resolution is fine for online use; the higher resolution is needed for print materials). Calculate total pixels by multiplying the length pixels by the width pixels. For more information on taking a photo of your artwork, go to the "Exhibits" tab on [www.vastarts.org](http://www.vastarts.org) and read "Preparing Digital Files for Art Exhibitions."
5. **AFTER the fifteenth of the month**, watch your email for the **information for voting on the entries**.
6. **Be sure to vote by midnight of voting deadline date!**
7. Once an artist wins First Place in the Mini-show, he/she is **automatically entered** into the **VAST Artist of the Year Competition** and is no longer eligible to competitively enter monthly Mini-shows for the rest of the VAST year (June through May).

Once an artist is selected as VAST Artist of the Year, the artist refrains from competitively entering the Mini-shows for two years.

However, since the goal of the Mini-show is for artists to share with each other what they have been working on recently, we encourage those who have won prizes previously to continue to showcase their work non-competitively in Mini-shows.

Although VAST encourages submission of recent artwork in the Mini-show, VAST does not enforce "date of work limitations."

At the end of the VAST year (June 1 through May 31), all monthly first place winners become the competitors in the Artist of the Year final Mini-show.

### **During the pandemic:**

Mini-Show winners will be announced at the General Meeting after the Mini-show was held and on the VAST website. First and Second Place winners will be notified by email beforehand. Prizes for the First and Second Place winners will be mailed to them.

The 2020-2021 VAST Mini-Show virtual competitions will be December 2020, and January, February, March, April, and May 2021. The 2020 VAST Artist of the Year will be determined by vote between June 1 and June 15, 2021 and announced by email to the membership.

**Last but not least**, our prizes are \$25 gift certificate from Azel Art Supply for first place, and \$15 gift certificate from Azel Art Supply for second place. These certificates are sent to VAST gratis each year by Azel Art Supply. When you shop there for art supplies, please be sure to thank them for their support of area artists in the form of these gift certificates.