



*Tim Murphy*  
**ART GALLERY**

**24th ANNUAL  
HIGH SCHOOL  
VISUAL ARTS  
COMPETITION**

**EXHIBIT OPEN**  
Dec. 3–Jan. 2, 2020

**SUBMISSION  
DEADLINE**  
October 30

**ACCEPTANCE  
NOTICE**  
November 11

**VIRTUAL AWARDS  
CEREMONY**  
December 3

**QUESTIONS?**  
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**Merriam  
Community  
Center**  
6040 Slater St.  
Merriam, KS 66202

**HOURS**  
**M-TH** 5 a.m.–9 p.m.  
**Friday** 5 a.m.–8 p.m.  
**Saturday** 8 a.m.–6 p.m.  
**Sunday** 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

## High School Visual Arts Competition

Area high school artists may submit three pieces of artwork for consideration. The categories are 2D, 3D, photography and computer generated art. Prizes are given to the top three pieces in each category.

### Eligibility

All high school students currently attending high school or home schooled in the Kansas City area are eligible to enter the competition.

### Categories

**PH** Photography

**2D** 2-dimensional: watercolor, oil, pencil, pastel, mixed media

**3D** 3-dimensional: sculpture, silverwork, etc.

**CG** Computer Generated: the application of computer graphics to create or contribute to the image.

### How to Enter

#### IMAGES

**Artist must submit images of their artwork in JPEG format.** Images can be no larger than 1MB or they will not be accepted. Selection will be made from images. Image should provide accurate representation of work to be considered. Submit only one image per piece. Students may enter more than one category but they are limited to three total entries.

**The image file name must be labeled as follows. This is very important!**

Category code (PH, 2D, 3D, CG); title of work; student’s last name; schools initials.

A photograph titled “Just Taken it Easy” by Ernie Keebler from Shawnee Mission North should be named: **PHJusttakeniteasyKeeblerSMN**

A 2-dimensional work titled “Just Taken it Easy” by Ernie Keebler for Shawnee Mission North should be named: **2DJusttakeniteasyKeeblerSMN**

#### EXCEL SPREADSHEET

**The following information must be submitted on an excel spreadsheet:**

Student’s First Name, Student’s Last Name, Student’s home address (school address not accepted), City, State, Zip Code, School, Title of Work, Image File Name, Size of Work, Instructor and Instructor’s email.

Each item should be in its own column. The template and guidelines will be emailed with your invitation in September.

#### SUBMISSION

**Images and Excel spreadsheet must be submitted via Dropbox by Friday, October 30.**

The Dropbox link will be emailed. Instructors should coordinate submissions of their students.

## Selection Committee

Selection committee will be comprised of an anonymous panel of four professional artists representing each medium in the show. Notification of acceptance will be posted on the website, [www.merriam.org/park](http://www.merriam.org/park). All instructors will be notified via email on the accepted works for the show and acceptance letters will be sent to all student's home addresses. The judges consider color/values, technique, form and presentation as part of the criteria in judging the works.

## Prizes

The following prizes will be awarded in each of the four categories:

<b>FIRST PLACE</b>	\$150 gift card
<b>SECOND PLACE</b>	\$100 gift card
<b>THIRD PLACE</b>	\$50 gift card

## Presentation

All paintings and photography should be matted or framed and may not exceed 40 inches in width or height. The name of the student, name of the artwork and the school the student is from must be on the back of all artwork. **NEW for 2020 – We are in our new gallery with a new hanging system and now require that all works be matted and have a wire hanger firmly attached to the back.**

## Delivery Procedure

Accepted artwork should be hand delivered to the Merriam Community Center, November 14 – 22. Artwork must be received no later than Sunday, November 22 by 5 p.m. All accepted works are required to stay in the art gallery from the day it is delivered until the last day of the show. No substitutions allowed!

## Virtual Awards Ceremony

Due to restrictions surrounding COVID the awards ceremony will be posted on Facebook Thursday, December 3, 2021 at 7 p.m. Artists accepted into the show will receive a Finalist Certificate at the reception.

## Important Dates

- October 30** Digitals and fully completed **excel spreadsheet** due.
- November 11** Notification of acceptance will be posted on the website [www.merriam.org/park](http://www.merriam.org/park) and acceptance letters sent to students.
- November 14-22** Hand-deliver art work to Merriam Community Center no later than Sunday, November 22 at 5 pm.
- December 3** **Virtual awards ceremony** begins at 7:00 p.m.
- December 3-Jan 2** Exhibition open to public during regular community center hours.
- January 3-15** Pick-up artwork. All works must be picked up no later than Friday, January 15, 2021 at 5 pm.

## Liability

The artist agrees to accept all liability for loss or damage to work in transit to or on display at the Tim Murphy Art Gallery. By entering the show, each student agrees to hold harmless and release the City of Merriam, its agents and employees from any liability regarding loss of or damage to original artwork, which has been placed at the Merriam Community Center for exhibition purposes. Artists authorize the City of Merriam, at its discretion, to utilize black and white or color photographs of artwork for publicity purposes, not for reproduction.

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## ABOUT THE TIM MURPHY ART GALLERY

The Tim Murphy Art Gallery is in its 24<sup>th</sup> year of operation. Our mission is to increase public awareness of the visual arts by providing a setting for exhibition and education. The gallery features monthly exhibits by local and regional artists. All exhibits are free to the public and many artists will have originals and prints for sale to the public.

Questions about the show may be emailed to Ingrid Berg at [iberg@merriam.org](mailto:iberg@merriam.org) or Lisa Naughton at [linaughton@merriam.org](mailto:linaughton@merriam.org). You may also contact us at 913.322.5550.