



## REQUIREMENTS FOR EXHIBITING IN DELAWARE WATERCOLOR SOCIETY SHOWS

### ART EXHIBITION AT THE LEWES LIBRARY

1. The Artist must be 18 years or older regardless of residence.
2. Each artist may submit 2 original paintings unless otherwise noted. All art must be produced solely by the artist, not in class or workshop. Copies, mass produced prints, works from kits or paintings of published photos and copyrighted images, other than taken by the artist are not allowed.
3. All artwork must have been completed within the last 3 years.
4. Work previously exhibited in any DWS judged, juried, or open exhibition is not eligible.
5. Paintings may be any watermedia, acrylic, ink, and gouache (no water-based oils) on paper, Yupo, Aquaboard, silk, or canvas. Canvas without a frame must be gallery wrapped with no staples or tacks showing. Edges must be painted to compliment the work-either a solid color or continuation of the painting.
6. Watermedia must be dominant. Collage Elements, if used, must be created by the artist and comprise no more than 20% of the painting.
7. No nudes or religious content will be considered.
8. All artwork must be archival.

FRAMING AND MATTING-Submitted works must be framed in accordance with professional standards. **Maximum framed size: No larger than 40 inches. Minimum Image size 7 inches in either direction. Maximum weight: 30 lbs.** Paintings larger than 30 inches MUST be covered with Plexiglass. Poorly matted or framed paintings are subject to disqualification.

1. All entries must be framed and wired on back with appropriate hooks, eyes, and wires (no sawtooth hangers). No clip frames or cardboard backing are permitted.
2. Wooden frames must have a standard dust cover backing supported by Foamcore or similar structure. The dust cover must be intact and securely adhered to the frame.
3. Mat colors are limited to white, cream, or light gray. Double matting is permitted, and the inner mat may be colored. Mats must be properly cut and free from marks.
4. Width of frame should be 2 inches or less.
5. Gallery wrapped paintings must be at least 1 ½ inches deep and properly finished. For additional information about go to [www.delawarewatercolorociety.org](http://www.delawarewatercolorociety.org).
6. Work previously submitted but not accepted in a DWS juried show may again be submitted for future exhibition.

Our goal is to make a positive and professional presentation.

#### DIGITAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS/ LABELING:

1. Title of painting
2. Size of image in inches (width x height) / Size of framed piece (width x height)
3. Selling price
4. Year completed

Submit above information with a digital jpg (saved at 300 dpi resolution and 1920 pixels on the longest dimension) of your painting attached to the email (do not insert into the body of the email)

File name is your initials, number of entry, title of work.

**Sample:** ACC1-Steamboat.jpg; ACC2-FlowerPot.jpg

For more information on resizing go to [www.delawarewatercolorsociety.org](http://www.delawarewatercolorsociety.org)

Email your digital entry to: [delawarewatercolorsociety@gmail.com](mailto:delawarewatercolorsociety@gmail.com)

- Image is only of artwork (No visible mats, frames, or glass)
- No artist name should be visible (Use masking tape if necessary to cover your name)

#### FEES, SALES, AND LIABILITY:

1. Entry Fees: **DWS member: \$30.00 / Non-members- \$40.00** for up to 2 paintings. Entry fee must be received by date stated on the Entry Form and is not returnable.
2. All artwork must be for sale and prices cannot be changed once the entry has been submitted.
3. Commission for sales set by individual institutions. (See Entry Form)
4. DWS and its representatives will take the utmost care with all works but are not responsible for damage or loss. Artists may wish to carry their own insurance.
5. DWS has permission to reproduce accepted artworks in the exhibition catalogue, on its website, and in media promotion.
6. All artwork juried into the show will remain on exhibit for the duration of the show.
7. Tags for accepted artwork must be attached to the back of each painting.

**AWARDS:** DWS will present monetary awards and ribbons for First, Second, and Third place plus 3 Merit Awards

**DWS MEMBERSHIP:** Competition eligibility varies with each show. To see if you are eligible, please see ENTRY form. If you wish to join DWS or need to renew your membership, go to [www.delawarewatercolorsociety.org](http://www.delawarewatercolorsociety.org).