

# Events and Activities

## **2023 Show and Exhibit Calendar** \*

dates are subject to change\*

### **December 1 – December 31: *West Plains Model Railroad Club Holiday Train Display***

This popular holiday exhibit is put on by the [West Plains Model Railroad Club](#). The exhibit features several large, detailed displays of model trains running through miniature villages, mountain ranges, forests, farms, and cities with a lot of attention paid to every detail. A popular holiday activity for the whole family! This exhibit will be open Thursday through Sunday, as well as Christmas Eve, and then will be open for the week after Christmas (Tuesday, December 26th – Sunday, December 31st), including New Year's Eve.

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### **January 19 – February 18: *Annual Fiber & Textile Arts Competition Show* (Entry Dates: January 12 & 13)**

This is an annual non-juried competition show open to all fiber and textile arts artists; check [Event Calendar](#) for entry dates and show dates. This competition accepts entries of all kinds of textile and fiber art, including, but not limited to: quilting, knitting, crochet, lacework, embroidery, cross-stitch, beadwork, wool needle felting, appliqué, handmade apparel, rug-making, macrame, etc.

Entries are judged with numeric scores; scores are worth 25% for artistic design, 25% for general appearance, and 50% for construction of entry. Awards are given in both Youth and Adult Divisions; People's Choice is awarded by popular vote. The **Carrie A. Warren-Gentry Memorial Award for Youth Talent in Textile Arts** is awarded to the top

winner of the Youth Division.

**February 23 – March 25: *Annual High School Art Show / Young Artist Showcase* (Entry Dates: February 16 & 17)**

This is a non-juried art competition show open to all high-school students—including home-schooled high school students—and also offers an opportunity for younger artists to display artwork in the (free) non-competitive Young Artist Showcase; check the [Event Calendar](#) for entry and show dates. The focus of this show is to encourage young artists to share their artwork, continue the process of learning and improving artistic techniques, and experience participation in a competitive gallery show while expanding their minds through the creation of art.

Entries are judged with numeric scores; scores are worth 25% for design & composition, 25% for technique/skill of construction, 25% for presentation, and 25% for creativity & originality. Awards are given for Best of Show, 1st Place, 2nd Place, and 3rd Place entries in each category; People's Choice is awarded by popular vote.

**March 29 – April 28: *The Light And The Dark: An Eclipse Invitational Art Show***

This show will feature pieces by select invited artists to honor the occasion of the total solar eclipse on April 8, 2024, and our community's location in the path of totality.

**May 3 – May 26: *Annual Photography Show Competition* (Entry Dates: April 26 & 27)**

This is a non-juried competition show open to all skill levels of photographers and all types of photography; check the [Event Calendar](#) for dates. Possible categories\* include color photography, monotone

photography, altered photography, photo collage, macro photography, etc.

Entries are judged with numeric scores; scores are worth 25% for design & composition, 25% for technique/skill of construction, 25% for presentation, and 25% for creativity & originality. Awards are given for both Youth and Adult Divisions; People's Choice is awarded by popular vote.

\*categories are determined by the entries received for the competition

### **May 31 – September 29: Ozark Heritage Exhibit (featuring the L.L. Broadfoot Collection)**

The annual exhibit of Ozarks artist L.L. Broadfoot's "*Pioneers Of The Ozarks*" art collection, which is a series of charcoal drawings and oil paintings depicting the people, places, and culture of the Ozarks captured by the artist in the late 1930s – early 1940s and published in Broadfoot's 1944 book of the same name; check the [Event Calendar](#) for dates.

### **October 4 – October 27: Harlin Museum's 48th Annual Fall Art Show Competition (Jury Submission Deadline: TBD)**

This is a juried fine art competition show held in Autumn every year; check the [Event Calendar](#) for dates. The competition is open to all artists and includes all 2D & 3D forms of fine art\*.

Entries are judged with numeric scores; scores are worth 25% for design & composition, 25% for technique/skill of construction, 25% for presentation, and 25% for creativity & originality. Awards are given for both Youth and Adult Divisions; People's Choice is awarded by popular vote.

\*categories include **paintings** (oils, watercolor, gouache, acrylics, ink and wash, tempera, or encaustic paints), **drawings** (charcoal,

chalk, crayon, pastel, pencil, or pen and ink), **digital art** (still and/or animated art created using digital technology), **printmaking** (woodcuts, stencils, block print, scratch art, engraving, etching, and lithography, or screen-printing, foil imaging, or giclee prints), **sculpture** (bronze, stone, marble, wood, or clay), and **mixed medium** (a combination of two or more mediums), etc.

### **November 1 – November 24: *Our Ozarks In Art Multimedia Show***

*(Entry Dates: October 25 & 26)*

This is a non-juried multimedia competition show open to all artists and includes all 2D & 3D forms of fine art (including painting, drawing, sculpture, etc.) as well as photography (color, monotone, macro, altered, collage, etc.); check [Event Calendar](#) for dates.

Entries are judged with numeric scores; scores are worth 25% for design & composition, 25% for technique/skill of construction, 25% for presentation, and 25% for creativity & originality. Awards are given for both Youth and Adult Divisions; People's Choice is awarded by popular vote. *(2024 Theme: TBD)*

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