

Delaware Foundation for the Visual Arts

2012 EXCELLENCE IN DRAWING Calendar Contest

This mailing contains information needed to partake in the DFVA 2012 Excellence in Drawing Calendar Contest. Please copy the application form attached for interested art students.

In addition to our calendar selections, we are offering three awards through the Excellence in Drawing Calendar Contest:

- **The Riva Brown Award**
- **E. Jean Lanyon Award**
- **Cynthia Swanson Award**

Details of these awards are included in the following information.

Please copy the application form attached for interested art students.

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EXCELLENCE IN DRAWING CALENDAR CONTEST

The Delaware Foundation for the Visual Arts Excellence in Drawing Program was initiated to stimulate interest in the arts and to give recognition to the Delaware high school artist. We have concentrated on drawing because this is the traditional time honored method of study that ensures a strong foundation for future artistic development.

Awards

A minimum of twelve drawings will be selected for the **2013 Calendar**

The "Riva Brown Award" for excellence in lettering, calligraphy or illumination. Artwork may be submitted as part of a drawing or by itself. The award will consist of private sessions held at the artist's studio in Wilmington.

The "E. Jean Lanyon Award" is an award open only to students in the ninth grade. It is a drawing scholarship which consists of twelve lessons, is valued at \$180.00 and takes place at the Lanyon Studio in Wilmington.

The "Cynthia Swanson" award. This is a series of four private lessons given at the artist's studio in Avondale PA. Each lesson is 1 1/2 to 2 hours long. Student may chose from oil, acrylic, watercolor, drawing, pastel, or portfolio preparation.

Note: Students receiving these awards must provide their own transportation to the artists' studios.

Certificates of recognition

Eligibility

Students in grades nine through twelve who are presently attending high school in Delaware may submit drawings. Participating seniors are invited to enter the DFVA scholarship contest. Please refer to the scholarship entry instructions.

Rules

Drawings must be original and the unique creation of the student.

Work should be based primarily on personal observation.

Only original photographs taken by the artist should be used for reference.

No work may be directly copied from any published or unpublished source.

Drawings may be in pencil, ink, or charcoal. Black and white scratchboard is also acceptable.

Each applicant may submit one drawing.

No computer artwork is eligible for the competition.

Size of the drawings may be: 8 x 10, 11 x 14 or 16x 20 inches ONLY.

Drawings must be matted and unframed. Use a white mat only, no larger than 2".

Please attach artwork to a backing board for protection.

Use a top hinge mat to facilitate removal. Do not glue your mat board the backboard.

Use a cover sheet to prevent smearing. Clean newsprint paper is acceptable for this.

The application form filled in completely must be taped to the back of each entry. Please note the instructions to use black marker on the lower part of the application form. This part of the form will be removed and photographed for record keeping purposes and must be dark, large, and legible

Any illegible entries will be disqualified. Please type or neatly print all information.

Do not send artwork by UPS or Federal Express as they do not deliver to a post office box.

Mail applications and drawings protected for bending to:

**DFVA
PO Box 298
Rockland, Delaware 19732**

Guidelines

The judge(s) will look for the following characteristics:

Imaginative content, technical drawing skill, personal style

Subject matter may range anywhere from traditional still life to abstract design.

Recommendations

The following recommendations are made to help you submit your drawings:

- Light pencil drawings do not reproduce well and therefore cannot be selected for the calendar.
- Use your imagination. Give all drawings a title.

Additional Information

Drawings are not insured and the DFVA does not accept liability for damage or theft.

Judging will be based on originality, execution, neatness and overall ability to follow directions.

**Drawings selected for the 2013 calendar will be exhibited
at the DFVA Spring Art Show, March 16-18, 2012
The Student Reception will be on Sunday, March 18 from 12-2 PM.**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR EXCELLENCE IN
DRAWING CALENDAR CONTEST IS
FEBRUARY 15, 2012**

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY THIS DATE

For more information please contact Michele M. Foster at michele.foster@gmail.com or 302-545-6161.

**Delaware Foundation for the Visual Arts
2012 Excellence in Drawing Application Form**

Title of Drawing _____

Name _____

Street Address _____

City and Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ Grade _____

School _____

Art Teacher Name _____

Art Teacher Email _____

Note: The following awards are conducted at the artists' studios. Students must provide their own transportation.

- Applicant for the E Jean Lanyon award.
(Student must be in ninth grade for this award only). YES _____ NO _____
- Applicant for the Cynthia Swanson Award YES _____ NO _____
- Applicant for the the Riva Brown Award YES _____ NO _____

May we also use your artwork or on DFVA promotional materials such as fliers or newsletters?
Credit will be given to the artist. Yes _____ No _____

NAME _____
TITLE _____
SCHOOL _____
GRADE _____

Note: Please attach this form to back of artwork with tape.