

# Winter Festival

## Youth Art Exhibition and Student Showcase

Dec 1, 2023 - Feb 13, 2024 | City Hall Art Gallery

This is an annual art exhibition featuring artwork of K-12 students from public, private and charter schools in the Capital City region, running in conjunction with Tallahassee's annual Winter Festival celebration. Teachers who are interested in partaking must first fill out the [Teacher Participation Form](#), no later than Oct 13th. Teachers then have two and a half weeks to select up to two student artworks to feature in the exhibition, and to send this information to COCA through the [Student Artwork Submission Form](#). Please reach out to COCA's Arts Education Manager, Sahara Lyon at [sahara@tallahasseearts.org](mailto:sahara@tallahasseearts.org) with any questions.

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR TEACHERS

10/13/23 Teachers submit the [Teacher Participation Form](#) by this date

11/01/23 Teachers submit the [Student Artwork Submission Form](#) by this date

11/01/23 - 11/22/23 Teachers deliver artwork to COCA's office (M-F, 1pm - 5pm, excluding Veterans Day Holiday on November 10th)

11/11/23 - Teachers can deliver artwork on Saturday from 10am - 2pm

11/18/23 - Teachers can deliver artwork on Saturday from 10am - 2pm

12/01/23 Opening Reception at City Hall with student performances (6-8pm)

02/14/24 - 03/1/24 Teachers pick-up artwork from COCA's office (M-F, 1pm -5pm)

STIPEND Through a partnership grant with the Florida Division of Arts and Culture and the National Endowment for the Arts, COCA will be able to provide a stipend to each participating art teacher. Stipends are expected to be between \$100 - \$200, depending on how many teachers participate. Payments will be made via check and mailed out following the close of exhibition.

ARTWORK ELIGIBILITY This is an exhibition for K-12 students which means something that might be appropriate for high schoolers may not be as appropriate for kindergartners. This show has to be viewer friendly for ALL participants. No nudity, religious subject matter, or other content deemed not appropriate for young children will be accepted.

FRAMING All artworks must be framed and ready to hang with wire in place on the back of the frame. Wire must be at least 6" long to fit over the Walker System hanging bracket. No sawtooth hangers are allowed. COCA will not re-frame, re-mat or repair artworks. Any artwork arriving damaged or improperly framed will not be accepted. Entries must not exceed 4 feet in any direction (including frame).

ARTWORK DROP OFF All artworks must be hand-delivered to COCA, framed and ready to hang, between Nov 1st and Nov 22nd. All artworks must be labelled on the back with:

- Artist Name, Artwork Title, Medium, School, and Teacher Contact

AWARDS This is a juried exhibition. A guest juror will select 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for Middle School and High School students and three Honorable Mentions. The Mayor selects one piece for the Mayor's Award, and Amanda Karioth Thompson selects Amanda's Choice Award.