



2025 Annual Membership Art Show

March 8th to March 29, 2025

Prospectus

Juror Josephine Durkin

Josephine is an Associate Professor of Art at East Texas A&M University (Formerly Texas A&M University – Commerce) where she teaches 3-D Design, Sculpture, Experimental Concepts, EAST (Empathy Art Science and Technology) Studio: Prosthetics for Animals with Mobility Challenges, Art Appreciation and Grad Seminar. She has also taught drawing, and continues to incorporate various drawing methods into each of her other classes, as well as her own practice. Josephine was a guest speaker and panel member for Texelectronica at the Museum of Modern Art in Fort Worth, a guest lecturer and panel member for Matter Matters at Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi, and has been a Visiting Artist at various institutions including Gallaudet in Washington D.C., Sam Houston State, Wichita State University, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, University of North Texas and UT Dallas. She has shown in Austria, Ontario, and extensively in the United States. Solo exhibitions include those at the Ulrich Museum of Art in Wichita Kansas, Lawndale Art Center in Houston Texas, Dallas Contemporary, Erin Cluley Gallery, The Box Company in Dallas Texas and Cris Worley Fine Arts. Josephine holds a BFA in Sculpture from Virginia Commonwealth University and an MFA in Sculpture from Yale University. She has also studied at the Corcoran School of Art in Washington D.C. and the Lorenzo de Medici School of Art in Florence, Italy. Her work, which utilizes a wide range of materials, processes and formats, has been featured in multiple publications including Texas Arts and Culture, Dallas Observer, Dallas Morning News, Paper City, The Economist, and Luxe Interiors + Design. For more information about her practice, please visit www.josephinedurkin.com.

The Mount Pleasant Art Society presents this year's show at the
Northeast Texas Community College
Whatley Center For the Performing Arts
Located at 2886 FM 1735, Mt. Pleasant, TX 75455

AWARDS

Best of Show	\$300
MPAS 1 st Place	\$200
MPAS 2 nd Place	\$150
MPAS 3 rd Place	\$110
Cypress Bank	\$100
First Federal Community Bank	\$100
Pilgrim Bank	\$100
American National Bank	\$100
Guaranty Bank	\$100
Goodman Insurance Agency	\$100
Durum Wealth Management	\$100
MPAS Honorable Mention	Ribbon
People's Choice	Ribbon

Placing will solely be decided by the Judge. The Judge's decision is final.

We have a new division added to the Art Show this year, it is labeled -DO NOT JUDGE. Some artists may choose an entry "DO NOT JUDGE". Such works are eligible for sale and or display. A DNJ mark will be placed on the identification card. DNJs are eligible for People's Choice Award but no other award.

LIABILITY

We will provide the utmost care and protection of your paintings: however, neither the officers of the show, MPAS, or Northeast Texas Community College will be responsible for loss or damage from whatever cause.

ENTRIES

Each artist may enter 4 paintings, as space is limited. Entry blanks must be filled in and accompany work. Fill in an Identification Card and firmly attach to the upper left corner on the back of the entry. Hand deliver entries will be accepted on:

Thursday, March 6, 2025 from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Whatley Center, Mount Pleasant.

If you are unable to make it to the Whatley Center on the day of drop off, you may bring your artwork to the art center before MARCH 6, 2025 and the committee will deliver them to the Whatley Center. They must have the proper wire, ID card, completed entry form and the entry fee for each painting submitted.

PICK UP

AFTER THE SHOW entries must be picked up at the Whatley Center on FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 2025, between 12:00 and 12:30 p.m. If you are unable to pick up your entries, please contact Denise Westerberg 321-360-2828. Before the day of pick up to make arrangements for your work. Thank you for your cooperation.

NO ENTRY IS TO BE REMOVED UNTIL THE CLOSE OF THE SHOW.

ELIGIBILITY

1. All active members of Mount Pleasant Art Society whose annual dues have been paid before January 1, 2025.
2. Subject matter with nudity or graphic images will not be accepted.
3. Copies of published photographs, prints or paintings cannot be accepted.
4. Photography, sculpture, or computer-generated art is not eligible.
5. All works submitted must be original work of the artist completed within the past 2 years and not exhibited in any MPAS Membership Show.
6. Any works produced at a workshop are not eligible for judging.

FEES

For all entries, the fee will be **\$12.00** per piece. Make checks payable to the Mount Pleasant Art Society.

SPECIFICATIONS

Each artist may enter up to 4 paintings. Artwork must be framed, unless it is thick, wrapped canvas that is finished on all sides.

Entry forms must be completed and identification cards **MUST** be firmly attached to the upper left corner on back of painting prior to submission.

Size of entry must not exceed 36" x 44" - frame included.

All work must be suitably framed and ready to hang. Screw eyes and wires must be firmly attached.

No saw-tooth hangers will be accepted.

Plexi-glass must be on all watercolors and other fragile media, except pastels. Glass will be allowed only on pastels Watercolors with glass will be disqualified.

Artwork will be hung by category such as oil, water color, color pencil, etc.

Entry form cards and identification card is located on the last page. You can text it to Denise at 321-360-2828 OR email at nwester4@gmail.com.

SALES

All sales will be conducted between artist and the buyer. The artists should price their paintings to include a tax-deductible donation to the Mount Pleasant Art Society equal to 20%. Purchased paintings may be picked up at the close of the show. Written authorization must be received by MPAS committee before a painting can be released to a buyer. The artist should notify the Chairman of the Show (Denise Westerberg) about the sale of a painting so that it may be designate as sold.

RECEPTION

Saturday, March 8, 2025 (Saturday) from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Whatley Center Northeast Texas Community College on FM 1735 East of Mount Pleasant off State Highway 49.

Please plan to attend the reception, it's a great time to see all the beautiful artwork submitted and visit with friends.

SHOW COMMITTEE

Denise Westerberg 321-360-2828 Shirley Clay 903-918-2214 Velda Williams 972-742-1335