



**30TH ANNUAL NATIONAL EXHIBITION “RENAISSANCE IN PASTEL” 2023
PROSPECTUS**



2022 Best in Show: “Coral Peonies On Turquoise Tablecloth” by Tatsiana Harbacheuskaya

Show Dates: September 28-October 28, 2023

Location: Arts Center East, 709 Hartford Turnpike, Vernon, CT 06066, 860.871.8222

ELIGIBLE WORK

The show is open to all artists working in the soft pastel medium, not oil pastels. Work must be at least 80% soft pastel. It can't be painted over a mechanical reproduction or collage. Work must not use any varnish or finish except traditional pastel fixative. Any subject or style is eligible.

Work must have been completed within the past three years and must be original. It can be neither copied from works or photographs by others, nor done in a classroom, workshop, or under the supervision of an instructor.

Work cannot be exhibited in any other national or international open juried pastel show concurrently, whether online or in person. Work CANNOT have won any award in a national or international open juried pastel show by the submission deadline for Renaissance in Pastel. Work may not have been exhibited in a previous CPS show. Work may be submitted if it has won an award in a multimedia exhibit. Work that has won an award in a pastel society members show other than CPS is eligible for entry.

Size limit is 40 inches in either direction, including frame. Artwork must be securely and professionally framed under glass or plexiglass and be ready to hang with screw eyes and wire, no sawtooth hangers. If not secure the piece will not hang.

ENTRY and FEES

All entries must be submitted through the “Exhibitions” page on the CPS website link www.ctpastelsociety.org (where you will be redirected to www.showsubmit.com), or directly through www.showsubmit.com. No CDs or emailed images will be accepted. Each artist may submit up to three

images, but only one may be accepted. Incorrectly labeled or incorrectly sized work will be disqualified. Changes in the price of the painting between entry and receiving will not be honored.

Entry fees must be paid online by credit card at time of submission, and are non-refundable.
Members: \$30 for 1 image, \$35 for 2 images, \$40 for 3 digital images. 2023 dues must be paid.
Non-members: \$40 for 1 image, \$45 for 2 images, \$50 for 3 digital images.

IMAGE PREPARATION

Take a very level, high quality image and crop the photo until only the painting image is visible. Do not make enhancements to your image. Save the image as a jpg. Additional how-to details are on the CPS website's entry page.

DELIVERING YOUR WORK

All entrants will receive an email notification by August 22. Artists whose work is accepted will receive an exhibition label and shipping instructions. The label must be completed and affixed to the back center of the painting. A list of other accepted artists, by state, will be included for ride sharing. The painting submitted must be identical to the accepted JPEG; no substitutions.

All hand-delivered work must be dropped off and ready to hang **Saturday, September 23** from 10am-12:00 pm.

***There will be a two-year ban from entering the show if your image is accepted and the identical painting is not delivered.**

Shipped work must arrive to the shipper between September 13 - 21. There will be a \$30.00 shipping & handling fee. Detailed shipping instructions will be attached to your acceptance email.

SALES and REMOVAL

All work must be for sale; no POR or NFS allowed. A 30% CPS commission will be taken on all work sold. Exhibited work that is not sold must be picked up on Sunday, October 29 from 10am-2pm. If you are not able to pick up your work at that time, please arrange to have another artist pick up your painting.

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

All work will receive careful handling by competent staff. Arts Center East, Connecticut Pastel Society, Inc., and anyone connected with this exhibition are not responsible for loss or damage of delivered or shipped work. We recommend that artists carry their own insurance. Submission of your work for this exhibition constitutes your acceptance and agreement, while granting reproduction rights to CPS for this exhibition.

JURY OF SELECTION

Wende Caporale
Desmond O'Hagan
Corey Pitkin

AWARDS JUDGE

Jeanne Rosier Smith, IAPS-MC/EP, PSA, Jeanne is a Connecticut Pastel Society Signature Member, Pastel Society of America Signature Member, and International Association of Pastel Societies Eminent Pastelist, as well as other organizations.

AWARDS

CPS® Renaissance Best in Show \$1,200
CPS Founders Award \$1,000
CPS Presidents Award \$800
Dianne B. Bernhard Award \$750
CPS Honor Award \$500
Board of Directors Award \$500.00
Philip Danylik Memorial Award \$250.00
Pastel Society of America Award \$200
Pastel Society of the West Coast Award \$200
Allied Artists of America Award \$150
Central Massachusetts Pastel Society \$150
Pastel Painters Society of Cape Cod Award \$150
Salmagundi Club Award \$150
Catharine Lorillard Wolfe Art Club Award \$150
Maryland Pastel Society Award \$100
Madison Art Society Award \$100
Pastel Society of Maine Award \$100
Pastel Society of New Jersey \$100.00
Pastel Society of New Hampshire Award \$100

The CT Pastel Society typically distributes awards for the Renaissance Show totaling approximately \$9,000 in cash and merchandise. This list of 2023 awards is not final. It will be revised as vendors who normally support CPS confirm their participation, and the final list will appear in the show catalogue.

A NOTE TO INTERNATIONAL ARTISTS:

All **MERCHANDISE AWARDS** will be shipped at **THE ARTIST'S COST**, payment being made to **PayPal prior to shipping**, with CPS having no responsibility for damage to the materials.

For **CASH AWARDS**, International Artists must accept payment by **PayPal only**.

ARTS CENTER EAST

709 Hartford Turnpike
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Please visit artscentereast.org for current gallery hours.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, June 2	Submissions open
Friday, July 28	Entry Deadline
Tuesday, August 22	Notifications emailed
September 13 - 21	Shipped paintings must arrive at Arts Center East
Saturday, Sept 23	Receiving, hand delivery, 10 am –12 pm
Sunday, September 24	Awards judging
Thursday, September 28	Show opens to public
Saturday, October 14	Opening reception and awards presentation, 12-4 pm
Saturday, October 28	Last day of show, live demonstration by Maryanne Mullett
Sunday, October 29	Artwork pick up, 10 am – 2 pm

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