

**Arkansas Pastel Society  
Prospectus Template**

**2026 Members Only Non-Juried Exhibit  
at Thea Foundation**

401 Main Street, Suite. 100, North Little Rock, AR 72114

Exhibit Dates: June 29 – July 23

The Arkansas Pastel Society has once again been invited to exhibit at the Thea Foundation from June 29 – July 23, 2026. This is a members only non-juried exhibit. This show is open to Arkansas Pastel Society members. To enter, email information to Nancy Martin at [henson2martin@gmail.com](mailto:henson2martin@gmail.com).

**Dates at a Glance**

Entries Open: May 1, 2026

Entry Deadline: June 14, 2026

Deadline for receipt of shipped entries: June 23, 2026

Receipt of hand-delivered entries: June 24-25, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., at Thea Foundation,  
401 Main Street, Suite. 100, North Little Rock, AR 72114

Reception: Friday, July 17, 2026, 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Show Opens: Monday, June 29, 2026

Gallery Hours: Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Show Closes: Thursday, July 23, 2026, 5 p.m.

Take Down Show: Monday, July 27, 10 a.m.

Pick up hand-delivered entries: Monday, July 27, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Shipped entries returned no later than Tuesday, July 28.

**Awards**

“People’s Choice Award”: Attendees will vote for their favorite painting and the winner will receive a \$50 cash prize.

*Continued on next page*

## Eligibility

Please read carefully to make sure your work meets the following entry criteria.

- Open to all members of the Arkansas Pastel Society with current 2026 dues paid before entry.
- Mixed media may be used for the underpainting.
- The top layer of the painting should be at least 80% dry pastel.
- Entries must be original work.
- Paintings must not have been exhibited in any previous APS Members-only Show at the Thea Foundation.
- Work and reference materials must be original to the artist, not copied from other artists or published materials. Art created in a workshop scenario is allowed provided the work is done completely by the artist.
- All artwork must be originally drawn and not created on top of any type of photographic image or AI generated.
- Paintings of nudes must be submitted in good taste to be considered for acceptance.
- APS reserves the right to refuse any work submitted.
- Entries must be properly framed under glass or plexiglass and ready to hang with wire (sawtooth hangers are not permitted).
- All accepted paintings must be displayed in the show and remain hanging for the duration of the exhibition. Any work sold will be the responsibility of the artist to pick the work up after the show comes down and deliver it to its new owner.

## Entry

- Each artist may submit two paintings at no charge. Email the following information to Nancy Martin at [henson2martin@gmail.com](mailto:henson2martin@gmail.com). (Please include "APS Thea Exhibit" in the email subject line.) Number your paintings #1 and #2. All #1 paintings will be hung and #2 paintings will be hung based on remaining gallery wall space. (Note: In the past we have been able to hang all paintings.) Include the following information in your email:
  - Name
  - Email
  - Phone Number
  - Painting Title
  - Painting Size
  - Painting Size Framed
  - Price or Not for Sale
  - Identify as Painting #1 or #2
- If you would like to join the Arkansas Pastel Society, our membership form can be found here [aps-membership-form.pdf](#).

*Continued on next page*

- Permission to reproduce the artist's work for publicity purposes is assumed with acceptance.

## **Sales**

- Thea Foundation will take no commission.
- Art may be listed as NFS (not for sale)
- All sales will be negotiated between the buyer and the artist. You will be contacted by email or phone with the interested buyer's contact information. It will be the artists responsibility to contact the potential buyer, collect the money from a sale, and to get the art work to the buyer after the show comes down.

## **Delivery and Return of Accepted Entries**

- **Labeling your Work**, adhere the following information to the back of your paintings:
  - Your name
  - Your email
  - Phone number
  - Painting title
  - Price or NFS (Not for Sale)
  - Identify as Painting #1 or #2
- **Hand Delivery**
  - Drop off Work: Thea Foundation, Tues. – Wed., June 24-25, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
  - Ring the buzzer to the right of the door at Thea and someone will let you in.
  - Thea Foundation's phone number is 501-379-9512 should you need to call
  - Pick Up Work: Monday, July 27, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- **Shipping**
  - Send using prepaid reusable crates with a PREPAID RETURN shipping label to be sent with the artwork.
  - Do not use foam peanuts for packing.
  - Insure for your own protection.
  - Artists should arrange for the shipping provider to do an indoor delivery.
  - Address: Thea Foundation, 401 Main St., Suite. 100, North Little Rock, AR 72114
  - Email Nancy Martin at [henson2martin@gmail.com](mailto:henson2martin@gmail.com) if you will be shipping a painting, or with questions or concerns with delivery.
  - Shipped Entries Returned: Paintings will be packaged and returned no later than Tuesday, July 28, 2026.

*Continued on next page*

## Limitations of Liability

APS recommends that plexiglass be used, especially for works that will be shipped. Glass is used at the artist's risk. Artists will be responsible for repairs to artwork damage in shipping (i.e., broken glass, scratched plexiglass, excessive pastel dust, or dirty mat). If the painting is damaged, the artist will be contacted. If the artist does not wish to arrange to repair the painting, it may be withdrawn from the show. Entering this exhibition shall constitute understanding and agreement on the part of the artist with the conditions stated. APS suggests that artists carry separate insurance.

**Additional Opportunities:** If you are interested in volunteering for the following activities, please email Nancy Martin at [henson2martin@gmail.com](mailto:henson2martin@gmail.com).

- **Demonstrations:** Demonstrating a painting in progress during the reception on July 17.
- **Story Boards:** Create a story board with your reference photo and a few photos of progress to finish with commentary. This board will be placed next to your painting.
- **Hanging and Take Down of Show:**
  - The show will be hung on Saturday, June 27 beginning at 10 a.m. until finish. It usually takes about 2.5 hours to hang this show.
  - The show will come down on Monday, July 27 at 10 a.m. and should only take about an hour as there will not be many paintings to pack up.
- **Refreshments:** Members will be asked to bring bottled water (or other beverages) and/or pre-packaged snacks to the reception. Email Nancy Martin at [henson2martin@gmail.com](mailto:henson2martin@gmail.com) if you would like to volunteer to bring refreshments.
- **The pastel "hands on" station:** Set up a still life with supplies for reception attendees to try their hands at using pastels. APS has pastels that can be used but a sheet of paper with an outline drawing of the still life will need to be provided.

## Contact Information for Nancy Martin:

[henson2martin@gmail.com](mailto:henson2martin@gmail.com)

501-519-7521 (leave a message if I don't pick up)

501-379-9512 - Thea Foundation, ask for Nancy

*Please let me hear from you if you have questions or concerns!*