

## **Art Definitions - Member Exhibition 2018**

This list is not exhaustive, it is meant as a guideline.

### **Artists' book**

Work of art that utilizes the form of a book. They are often published in small editions, though they are sometimes produced as one-of-a-kind objects.

### **Ceramics**

Ceramic art is art made from **ceramic** materials, including clay. It may take forms including art ware, tile, figurines, sculpture, and tableware.

### **Collage**

An artistic composition made of various materials not normally associated with one another. The materials are attached (pasted) on a ground and could include but are not limited to, newspaper clippings, photographs, parts of letters, tickets, etc.

### **Digital image**

An electronically processed image composed of bits and bytes, usually coming from use of a computer.

### **Drawing**

A depiction of lines, shapes or images produced on a surface (paper) by means of marks in graphite, charcoal, marker, pastel crayon or ink. A major fine-art technique in itself, drawing is the basis of all pictorial representation, and an early step in most art activities.

### **Edition**

A set of identical prints or other artworks made as multiples, numbered and signed, pulled by, or under the supervision of the artist.

### **Film and Video**

Images recorded on videotape or on optical disc to be viewed on a screen, or the medium through which these images are recorded and displayed. Film / Video art must be on a secure and installable display device provided by the member.

### **Giclée reproductions**

are often made from photographic images of paintings in order to produce high quality, permanent reproductions of them. Reproductions are not accepted in the member exhibition.

### **Graphic arts**

Visual arts that are linear in character, such as drawing and engraving, and other forms of printmaking, such as lithography and serigraphy.

### **Ink jet print**

Photograph produced by a computer printer from a digital file using water-based dyes or pigments on paper or other support. (Also referred to by the brand names "Iris print" or "Giclée print.")

### **Jewelry**

Work of art using creative expression and design in a variety of materials including precious metals (gold, silver) and/or studio craft materials (wood, glass, plastic, clay).

### **Mixed Media**

Work of visual art where more than one medium is employed.

### **Painting**

A work of art created using pigments (color) on a surface (paper, canvas, board, etc.). The pigments may be in wet form such as oil, acrylic.

### **Pastel**

Pigments mixed with gum and water and pressed into a dried stick form for use as crayons. It can be considered a drawing or a painting medium. An artwork made using pastels is called a pastel, or a pastel drawing or a pastel painting.

### **Photography**

Art, craft, and science of producing permanent images of objects on light-sensitive surfaces. Any photographic process is eligible as long as the work is original.

### **Printmaking**

The process of making artworks by printing, normally on paper. Printmaking normally covers only the process of creating prints that have an element of originality, rather than just being a photographic reproduction of a painting.

The process is capable of producing multiples of a same piece, which is called a **print**. Multiple impressions printed from the same matrix form an **edition**. Artists sign and number individual impressions from an edition to form a limited edition.

### **Prints**

are created by transferring ink from a matrix to another surface, like copper or zinc, or polymer plates for engraving or etching; stone, aluminum, or polymer for lithography; wood for woodcuts and wood engravings; and linoleum for linocuts. Screens made of fabrics are used for the screen printing process.

### **Sculpture**

A work of art created by carving, modeling, welding, a medium to create a three-dimensional piece in the round or as a relief. A variety of materials could be the medium such as modeling clay, marble, metal, or wood.

### **Watercolor**

Any paint that uses water as a solvent. Paintings done with this medium are known as watercolors. What carries the pigment in watercolor (called its medium, vehicle, or base) is gum arabic.