

CALL FOR ARTWORK
ART MOVES: We the Arts



Hot Springs Area Cultural Alliance (HSACA), the City of Hot Springs Art Advisory Committee (AAC) and Hot Springs Public Works Department (HSPW) are collectively producing this outdoor exhibition of paintings, drawings, and/or photographs reproduced onto metal panels to be displayed along the Hot Springs Creek Greenway Trail as part of the Art Moves outdoor art exhibition. The opening of Art Moves marks the beginning of Hot Springs' Arts & The Park 10-day arts festival, and the exhibition remains on public display for approximately one year.

The 2026 Art Moves installation celebrates the Americas as the United States of America celebrates its 250th birthday.

Art Moves: **We the Arts** celebrates the Americas by asking artists to submit work that reflects the theme through a focus on an artistic depiction of community, culture, family, architecture, nature, the everyday, or one-of-a-kind moments in the U.S.A., one of its territories, or continental neighbor. Applicants are encouraged to let their creativity soar, so visitors to the outdoor art exhibition can travel through a mosaic of the Americas along the Greenway trail.

A panel of jurors will select up to 25 works of art from the submissions for the **ART MOVES: We the Arts** exhibition. The selected artwork will be reproduced onto 30x40 sheets that will be displayed along the Hot Springs Creek Greenway Trail including a QR code that links directly to the artist bio and statement about the piece on the HSACA website. Area galleries may display the framed original artworks during the 10-day Arts & The Park celebration.

EXHIBIT DETAILS

Exhibit Dates:

Entry Deadline: Sunday, January 25, 2026, 11:59 p.m.

Notification of Acceptance: On or Around Monday, February 2, 2026

Opening Reception: Friday, April 24, 2026, at the trail

Art Moves Exhibition Duration: April 24, 2026 - Spring, 2027

Original Artwork May Be Exhibited: May 1 during Gallery Walk

Eligibility

- Regional artists (Arkansas and surrounding states)
- 2-D original paintings and drawings, photography, digital artwork
- Artwork submitted should fulfill thematic requirements described above
- **Selected artwork will be reproduced on a 30x40 sign, and the original canvas needs to be at ratio. (9x12, 12x16, 15x20, 18x24, 21x28, 24x32, 27x36, 30x40)**
- **If artwork is selected, the artist must either furnish a high-resolution photo of the unframed artwork or be able to bring original unframed artwork for a scheduled photo session and be able to deliver and pick-up framed artwork for exhibit during the Arts & The Park festival.**
- Submitting artists shall have sole ownership and rights to all submitted works

Spaces Available

- 20-25 Juried artist spaces

Judging Criteria

- Entries will be scored by an independent jury using a double-blind method
- Entries should be able to be easily viewed from a distance against the backdrop of nature along the trail
- Bright, bold colors are encouraged but not required
- All entries must be “family friendly” and suitable for all ages

Fees, Prizes, Commissions, & Copyrights

- No entry fee
- **Artists of the selected artwork will receive \$100 for the rights to reproduce and display the artwork for the Greenway Trail exhibit. Copyright and ownership of the original art belongs to the artist.**
- Winning artists allow HSACA, AAC, and HSPW to reproduce and publish artwork images for marketing purposes.
- Additional reproductions of the work will only be made to replace damaged or missing works from the exhibition.
- HSACA has sole ownership and rights to the physical reproductions displayed in or created for the exhibition
- Original artwork does not have to be for sale to be included. If an artist would like to have the original exhibited in a local gallery during Arts & The Park, the artist will need to contact the gallery and follow that gallery's commission agreement. HSACA, AAC, and HSPW will not receive a portion of the commission. HSACA does not arrange for space in galleries but will provide a contact list of local galleries upon request.
- By submitting work, the artist agrees to all terms and conditions listed

Submit at: <https://hotspringsarts.org/art-moves-submission-form/>

Artists may submit 1-2 artworks, but each submission must be entered separately as individual submissions according to the rules above.

Information needed for each submission:

Artwork : Upload a 100 dpi Res jpeg - jpg image file for judging

Information needed to complete the form:

- Artist name, address, phone, and email
- Title of artwork, medium, and unframed size
- Artist biography of 50-75 words
- **Artist statement: description of the submitted work and its relation to the theme “***Title***” of 50 words or less**

Art Ownership Clarification

HSACA will not, for example, use the artists' images on mugs, tote bags, etc., to sell to the public without express permission from the artist. Images of selected art will be used on flyers and advertisements. HSACA owns the reproductions displayed along the trail and will auction the works to raise funds for subsequent Art Moves installations. Artists are welcome to bid on the reproductions during the auction but do not own nor are they entitled to physical works displayed along the Greenway Trail. HSACA is a registered 501(c)3 whose mission is to celebrate, advocate for, and promote arts and culture in the Hot Springs area. HSACA works in cooperation with the City of Hot Springs.