North Charleston
ARTS FEST
May 1-5, 2024
Judged Photography Competition & Exhibition
Charleston Area Convention Center, Exhibit Hall C, 5001 Coliseum Drive, North Charleston, SC 29418

TERMS & REGULATIONS

• Photographer must be age 16 or older.
• Photographer may submit a maximum of 4 entries. Only one photograph allowed per entry (no multi-photo compositions, tiles, collages)
• Each entry must be:
  _ Original analog or digital print completed in the last two years and not previously entered in this exhibition. Original work is the photographer's sole creation, not created with the aid of an instructor or as a copy, in any part, of another's work.
  _ Minimum size of 8"x10" and maximum size of 20"x24" printed on photo paper and mounted on standard foam core or gator board. Photograph must be fully adhered to backing. Matting optional. No frames, hooks, Velcro, plastic wrapped entries, or prints on canvas, wood, or metal. Sponsor will attach adhesive hanging tabs to the back of each mounted print.
  _ Clearly labeled on back with photographer’s name & phone.
• Permitted edits in Monochrome and Color: cropping, lightening, darkening, focus adjustment, dodging, color balance or correction, de-specking, burning, and lens distortion correction.
• Sponsor reserves the right to change an entry's category if another category deems more appropriate.
• Title cards for each entry will be filled out on site.
• $5 fee per entry is due at drop-off and is paid by cash, credit card, or check payable to City of North Charleston. Non-refundable.
• Sponsor reserves the right to reject any entry that does not meet the terms & regulations or is inappropriate for public exhibition.
• Exhibition facilities have a professional security system and the exhibition is monitored.
• A 15% commission will be charged on all sales from the exhibit. Photographers will be notified of sale by phone and follow up letter.
• For all cash awards and sale reimbursement, photographers will receive a notification letter by postal mail that includes a W9 form to complete and return in a pre-stamped envelope provided.
• Sponsor reserves the right to use images of work and/or exhibition for publicity.
• All works must remain on display throughout the exhibition viewing times. No early pick-ups.
• By submission of entries, the artist accepts all conditions and terms set forth in this prospectus.

DIVISIONS
Professional – Entrants who earn all or a significant portion of their income from the sale of their photographs.
Amateur – Entrants who are hobbyists/enthusiasts and do not earn significant income from the sale of their photographs.

CATEGORIES
Monochrome – Black & White and Toned Prints
Color – Color Prints and Hand Colored Photographs

JUDGE
We are pleased to announce the judge for this year’s exhibition is Sirena White-Singleton, owner of Aneris Photography, founder of The Aneris Collective, LLC, and co-founder of The Creative Realm Space. Sirena is lifestyle, wedding, and branding photographer and small business brand strategist. After receiving a dual degree in Biology and Psychology from Charleston Southern University in 2005, she pursued her passion of photography and entrepreneurship. Her work has been featured in Meet Charleston, Food Network, Charleston Magazine, People Magazine, Travel and Leisure Magazine, and the Today Show.

AWARDS
Totaling up to $1,450 • Awards are at the sole discretion of the judge. Limit one award per entry.

Professional Division
Mono-First Place - $150, Second Place - $100, Third Place - $75
Color-First Place - $150, Second Place - $100, Third Place - $75

Amateur Division
Mono-First Place - $125, Second Place - $75, Third Place - $50
Color-First Place - $125, Second Place - $75, Third Place - $50

Honorable Mention (up to 12 overall) - $25

DELIVERY OF ENTRIES
Monday, April 29 & Tuesday, April 30, Noon-7pm
Deliver entries to the Exhibit Hall Loading Dock of the Charleston Area Convention Center.
Use the West Montague Ave. to Amsterdam Street entrance. Directional signs will be posted.

OPENING CELEBRATION
Wednesday, May 1, 6:00pm-8:00pm at Charleston Area Convention Center, Exhibit Hall C
Open to the public. Ribbons placed just prior to event. Award winners will be acknowledged at 6:30pm and then notified by mail.

PICK-UP OF ENTRIES
Monday, May 6, Noon – 7:00pm, Charleston Area Convention Center Exhibit Hall Loading dock
No early or late pick-ups. Participant, or their designated individual, must use entry receipt for pick-up. Winners receive one Arts Fest t-shirt.
Award checks will be mailed within three weeks upon return of the W9 form to the Cultural Arts office.
The City of North Charleston is not responsible for unclaimed entries.
Photographers are invited to participate in the annual North Charleston Arts Fest Judged Photography Exhibition, which will be on display in Exhibit Hall C of the Charleston Area Convention Center Wednesday, May 1–Sunday, May 5, 2024. Be a part of an incredible exhibition opportunity and competition with cash awards in two categories totaling $1,450.

The North Charleston Arts Fest is proudly produced by the City of North Charleston Cultural Arts Department. The annual five-day celebration of arts and culture highlights regional and local artists and performers in the areas of Dance, Music, Theatre, Visual Arts, and Literature. For more than 40 years, the festival has made quality arts programming affordable and accessible to the widest spectrum of the public, attracting residents and visitors to experience an array of free performances, workshops, exhibitions, and activities in a variety of venues, including libraries, community centers, schools, and parks. The event has matured into one of the most comprehensive arts festivals in the state of South Carolina with a schedule that offers something for everyone, including concerts, theatre presentations, children’s programs, workshops and demonstrations, exhibitions, and more.

Visit our website to view festival details and updates, including applications and prospectuses for Judged Art, Photography, Youth Art, Youth Sculpture, African American Fiber Art, National Outdoor Sculpture, and SC Palmetto Hands Fine Craft competitions and exhibitions; Art & Craft Vendors; and Volunteers.

JUDGED PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION VIEWING TIMES
Wednesday, May 1, 6:00-8:00pm
Thursday, May 2, through Saturday, May 4, 10:00am-6:00pm
Sunday, May 5, Noon-5:00pm

ARTS FEST SCHEDULE
NorthCharlestonArtsFest.com

OPENING CELEBRATION • Wednesday, May 1, 6:00pm-8:00pm
Charleston Area Convention Center, Exhibit Hall C
It’s North Charleston Arts Fest time – let’s celebrate! Get the first look at the festival’s art, photo, and fine craft exhibits while enjoying live music, artist demos, a free raffle, and complimentary food & beverages. Free admission!

DAILY EVENTS • May 1-5
FREE events and activities take place during the Arts Fest at various locations throughout North Charleston. Offerings include concerts, theatre presentations, dance performances, exhibitions, and more.

EXHIBITION ENCORE • Sunday, May 5, 2:00pm-5:00pm
Charleston Area Convention Center, Exhibit Hall C
Join us for a special closing reception in honor of the hundreds of pieces of artwork on display, featuring musical performances, live art demonstrations, and complimentary “bubbles & bites.” Free admission!

NorthCharlestonArtsFest.com • (843) 740-5854 • culturalarts@northcharleston.org

The North Charleston Cultural Arts Department is the recipient of the 2000 Elizabeth O’Neill Verner Award for the Arts and receives support from the National Endowment for the Arts, SC Arts Commission, and the corporate community. The North Charleston Arts Fest was named a “Top 20 Event” by the Southeastern Tourism Society.