



## Pastel Society of Maine 2022 Annual Open Juried Exhibition, *Pastels Only*

Up to \$4000 in Cash and Merchandise Awards - \$1000 Best in Show

**Show Dates: August 24 - October 21, 2022**

**Location: Saco Museum, 371 Main Street, Saco ME**

**Juror of Selection and Awards: Laurinda Phakos O'Connor**

For link to register through Show Submit visit the PSME website

<https://www.pastelsocietyofmaine.org> or go directly to <https://showsubmit.com>

Exhibition Co Chairs: Christina Davis [crisdavis12@gmail.com](mailto:crisdavis12@gmail.com) and Annie Halvorsen [annie@anniehalvorsen.com](mailto:annie@anniehalvorsen.com)

### 2022 Calendar of Events

April 1: Online entry submission opens through Show Submit

July 15: Deadline for online submissions

August 1: Notifications will be emailed to all submitting artists

August 20: Shipped work due at Saco Museum

August 22: Hand delivered work due at Saco Museum 371 Main Street, Saco ME 10am - noon

August 22: Hang artwork 12pm-4pm

August 24: Show opens to public

September 9: Reception and Awards Presentation

    Pastel Demonstration by Laurinda O'Connor, 1-3 PM

    Presentation of Awards and Reception 4-6 PM

October 21 Show closes

October 22: Painting pick-up Saco Museum 10am-12pm

October 24 Shipped works mailed.

### Eligible Work

Open to all pastel artists. All subjects and styles are eligible except for erotic and overtly political statements. Works must be original design and composition, not copied from another artist's work, not painted in a class or workshop under instructor supervision. If painted from a photograph, must be artist's own photo.

Work must be completed after January 2020 and be 80% soft pastels. No oil pastel.

All work must be for sale; no NFS or POR allowed. No price changes allowed after entry submission. Size limit, including frame, is 40 inches in either direction.

Work must be clean, securely framed and ready to hang. No sawtooth hangers allowed. Gallery framing standards are expected. If mats are used, neutral colors only.

### **Entry Procedure**

All entries must be submitted online, entry fees payable by credit card through Show Submit. A link is provided on the PSME website: [www.pastelsocietyofmaine.org](http://www.pastelsocietyofmaine.org)

**Submission deadline is July 15, 2022**

**PSME Member fees: 1 to 2 images \$35; 3 images \$40 (with PSME membership dues current)**

**Non-member fees: 1 to 2 images \$45; 3 images \$50**

No CDs or emailed images will be accepted. Each artist may submit up to three entries. Acceptance of a maximum of 2 pieces into the show by any one artist.

***Work must not have been shown in any previous PSME competition. Work must not have received awards in any juried pastel event.***

Notifications of acceptance and decline will be emailed by **August 1, 2022**.

### **Entry Preparation Instructions**

Image entry instructions are available on the **Show Submit entry page**.

Make sure the cropping is complete – only the image should be visible, no thumbtacks!

Failure to follow submission guidelines, or provide accurate information, may result in disqualification of entry and render artist ineligible to submit to PSME Open Juried Exhibitions “Pastels Only” for 2 years following the 2022 show. Your entry in this exhibition constitutes an agreement to all procedures outlined in this prospectus. Images of accepted work may be used by PSME for publicity purposes.

**Sales:** 30% commission to PSME

**Prizes:** Up to \$4000 in awards

### **Hand-Delivered Artwork**

**Must arrive at the Saco Museum August 22, 2022, 10 am - 12pm.**

Delivered artwork must be identical to the accepted jpeg, no substitutions are permitted. Entrants failing to deliver accepted artwork are denied eligibility in PSME International Juried Exhibitions “Pastels Only” for 2 years following the 2022 show.

### **Shipped Work**

**Detailed shipping instructions will be sent with acceptance notifications, August 1, 2022.**

Shipped paintings must arrive at Saco Museum by **August 20, 2022**. Include with shipped artwork a \$ 15 check for handling, made out to PSME, a return shipping label, and completed shipping form & painting ID labels, as stipulated with shipping instructions, TBD.

### **Artwork Removal**

**Saturday October 22, 2022, 10 am-noon**

Liability: All paintings will receive careful handling by competent staff. However, the Saco Museum, the Pastel Society of Maine, or anyone connected with the exhibition cannot be held responsible for loss or damage to any painting submitted for exhibition. All work submitted is subject to this condition.

Your online entry submission constitutes acknowledgement & acceptance of this disclaimer. PSME recommends artists carry their own insurance.

**Juror of Selection and Awards: Laurinda Phakos O'Connor**

Laurinda O'Connor, our juror of selection and awards, is a highly visible and accomplished artist and teacher in the New England and national pastel world. Among her many awards, Laurinda has achieved Best in Show accolades with Pastel Societies of Maine, Central Mass, Cape Cod, New Hampshire, and Connecticut. She is also a Copley Artist at The Copley Society. In February 2021, she was the featured artist in The Pastel Journal magazine. Please see her full credentials and work at <https://laurindaconnor.com>