

American Women Artists
National Juried Competition
December 5 – December 27, 2008

Hosted by: Galerie Gabriele, Pasadena, California.

Galerie Gabriele is located in the heart of historic Pasadena in an intimate and elegant space. Sixteen cities in one, Pasadena, the home of the Rose Parade, has wonderful arts and crafts architecture, gardens, museums, hiking the San Gabriel Mountains, great flea markets and more. The Gallery will host an Artists Reception Friday, December 12 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm

INTENT

It is our intention to choose the very best art in terms of composition, technique and overall excellence regardless of style or medium. Selected work will include a very broad range from contemporary abstraction to impressionism to extremely tight realism. There is not a quota on specific mediums such as oil, watercolor, pastel or sculptural materials. Our only goal is excellence, no matter how it is expressed. Whimsical work may be included as well as extremely serious statement. Each work is judged solely on its own merit without regard to the artist's name. We feel that the final show will be elegant, very well rounded and include a wide range of artistic expression.

AWARDS

The total awards will be approximately \$10,000 in cash and prizes, with a \$1,000 Best of Show award. Award packages are designed to encourage and inspire women in the arts.

JURORS

Show Jurors that will select this year's Competition Finalists include Galerie Gabriele Owner Jasminka Chenich-Gabrie and AWA Master Signature Members Cary Ennis, Joy Beckner, Vel Miller and Linda Glover Gooch.

Awarding Jurors include all Master Signature Members in attendance at the show.

Awards will be announced Dec 12, 2008 at an Awards Brunch at the Gallery.

SUBMISSION

Only on-line entries through Juried Art Services will be accepted for this show. Please submit all entries to www.juriedartservices.com. No slides or images on CD will be accepted, on-line submission only.

MEMBERSHIP AND ELIGIBILITY

Open to women at least 20 years of age, who are working in the fine arts and living in the United States, Canada or Mexico. Applicants need not be a member of American Women Artists to submit work; Supporting Members of American Women Artists receive a reduced entry fee.

DEADLINE

Final acceptance of all submissions is October 1, 2008.

TYPE AND NUMBER OF ENTRIES

All subjects and styles are eligible including traditional, contemporary and abstract. Each artist may submit no fewer than two or more than five entries.

MEDIA

The competition includes sculpture, painting (oil, acrylic, water media, pastel and egg tempera) and mixed media. No craft, photography, computer generated, prints or fabric art, please. All works must be executed within the last two years and must not have been accepted for a previous AWA show.

EXHIBITION

Up to 30 artists will be selected as competition finalists and be invited to exhibit work selected from their entries at Galerie Gabriele in Pasadena, California, December 2008. The show of National Juried Competition finalists will also be posted on our website www.americanwomenartists.org and the gallery website www.galerigabrie.com.

ENTRY GUIDELINES

Two views may be submitted for each piece of sculpture.

No fewer than two or more than five entries will be accepted.

Two-dimensional works:

Longest dimension shall not exceed 30" and shortest dimension shall not exceed 24"

Three-dimensional works:

Combined dimensions, height, length and width, when all added together, shall not exceed 40 inches.

For example: 14½"L x 5"H X 8 ¾"W = 28¼" combined dimension.

Artists retain copyright of their works, however if accepted into the show images become part of the AWA archives and may be used in publicity for this and future shows.

FEES

All entry and jury fees are non-refundable; overpayment of any fee will be considered a donation and will not be refunded.

Jurying Fees:

A Jurying Fee of \$20/applicant artist is assessed for all regardless of membership status.

Entry Fees:

Two entries (required minimum) are free for Supporting Members; \$35 for non members.

Three entries are free for Supporting Members; \$40 for non members

Four entries are free for Supporting Members; \$45 for non members

Five entries are free for Supporting Members; \$50 for non members.

For example:

Non-member enters four entries:	\$45 entry fees
Jury Fee	<u>\$20</u>
Total fees	\$65

Supporting Member enters four entries	\$ 0 entry fees
Jury Fee	<u>\$20</u>
Total fees	\$20

Electronic payment may be made via PayPal for jury fees, entry fees and membership.

You may join as a Supporting Member (membership dues of \$50/year) at the time that you submit your work, go to www.americanwomenartists.org, click on Members, then Supporting Membership then download a membership application form, complete and send to AWA, PO Box 34301, San Antonio, TX 78265. You may enclose a check with the application form or pay online by clicking on the PayPal logo. To be considered a member for submission of work to this Juried Competition all membership dues must be received no later than October 1, 2008.

If you are a current AWA Supporting Member, having paid your membership fee prior to your entry, your submission will be verified. If you are not current and represent yourself as current your entry will be rejected and any fees paid retained. **All new and renewing membership fees must be received no later than October 1, 2008 for your entries to be considered.**

JURY STATUS

All jury status notifications will be emailed on October 17, 2008. A list of accepted artists and their works will be posted at www.americanwomenartists.org not later than October 25, 2008.

LIABILITIES, RESPONSIBILITIES, SALES

Submission of work for this exhibit will be construed as acceptance of all conditions.

AWA and Galerie Gabriele reserve the right to return work that does not meet exhibition standards!

Every reasonable care will be taken with an original artwork.

The artwork will be insured while in the Gallery. Neither AWA nor the host Gallery, nor anyone connected with the exhibition will be responsible for loss or damage however caused.

All works submitted for the exhibit must be for sale.

Accepted Works:

The decision of the jurors is final.

All accepted two-dimensional work must be framed (gallery wrap acceptable) and wired for hanging.

Accepted three-dimensional work must be ready to place with any stands and title plates securely fastened.

Shipping:

All shipping charges to and from the gallery are the responsibility of the artist.

We recommend insuring your work during shipping.

All works must be shipped in an air-pack box. Sculpture must be shipped in a foam-in-place box, unless it is a miniature, and then it must be shipped in a bubble bag inside a box with bubble. NO PEANUTS, PLEASE! An additional packing/unpacking charge of \$75 will be assessed if this packaging is not used.

All works must have appropriate identification including title, size, artist name, price and medium on the piece.

All boxes must have this information placed inside the box.

All works must be delivered to the Gallery:

Galerie Gabriele 597 East Green Street, Pasadena, CA 91101

Phone: 626.577.1223

All work must arrive **between Tuesday, Nov 18 and Friday, Nov 21, 2007.**

Hand delivered work must be delivered during Gallery Hours: Tuesday – Friday from 10:30am - 5pm.

A "Return Shipping Instructions" form will be supplied by AWA to all finalists and must be included in the package with the work.

A prepaid FedEx or UPS shipping label for the return of the work must be included with the artwork.

No checks or CODs will be accepted for artwork return.

Hanging:

All accepted work will be hung and placed at the Gallery's discretion.

Exhibited work cannot be removed from the Gallery before the close of the exhibition.

Commission:

Two Dimensional and non-bronze three-dimensional artists will receive 45% of the selling price.

10% will go to AWA and 45% will go to the selling Gallery.

Bronze sculptors will receive 60% of the selling price.

10% will go to AWA and 30% will go to the selling Gallery.

Payment for work sold will be made directly to the artist from the Gallery.

CALENDAR

October 1, 2008	Deadline for on-line submissions. NO MAILED SUBMISSIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.
October 17, 2008	Notifications via email.
October 25, 2008	All works and artist's names will be posted on AWA website.
Nov 18 - 21, 2008	All artworks delivered to Galerie Gabriele during Gallery Hours: Tuesday – Friday 10:30-5.
Dec 12, 2008	Awards Brunch, 9am Artists Reception, 6-8pm
Dec 5 - 27, 2008	Show hangs.
Dec 29 - 31, 2008	Work may be picked up; unsold work shipped.
Jan 27, 2009	Deadline for all artists to be paid for sold work.