



NAWA

National Association of Women Artists, Inc.

A Legacy of Women Visionaries Since 1889

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NAWA and the Monroe Township Cultural Arts Commission
present

HerStory250

(Signature Members)

July 8, 2026-August 23, 2026

IN PERSON Reception - **INVITATION ONLY**

Saturday, July 11, 2026 from 5:30 - 7:30pm

at

Monroe Township Public Library, Fine Arts Gallery
4 Municipal Plaza, Monroe Township, NJ 08831

This exhibition, part of the American celebration of the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, invites NAWA Signature members to submit works celebrating women's contributions and determination to claim the founding ideals for themselves, their families, and for all Americans.

When the Declaration proclaimed "unalienable rights," "Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness," and "consent of the governed," women understood these principles as distant possibilities for them. Over the past 250 years, women leaders, creators, organizers, innovators, and changemakers, with practiced grit, have expanded the meaning of democracy. Their courage, creativity, innovation and perseverance continue to inspire toward a future of an inclusive, humane, and just society.

We invite artists to honor this legacy, and envision what it means to the artist, to carry forward, expand, or reimagine the founding principles as they relate to women and society?

ELIGIBILITY:

This NAWA juried exhibit is open to Signature NAWA MEMBERS only.

Entry Fee:

2 jpg images, \$40; 3 images \$45

SUBMISSIONS:

Log onto: www.thenawa.org

Click on: Current Prospectus on the home page.

Submissions are handled through www.showssubmit.com

Contact ShowSubmit Support at support@showssubmit.com.

AWARDS:

NAWA First Place Award

NAWA Second Place Award

NAWA Third Place Award

Honorable Mention(s)

CONTACT INFORMATION

exhibitions@thenawa.org

IMPORTANT DATES:

Submissions open	Monday April 13, 2026
Submission deadline	Monday May 18, 2026
Notification of Acceptance	Week of May 25, 2026
Hand Delivery Date	Sunday July 5th between 11am - 4pm and Monday, July 6th between 10am - 4pm
Shipped Works	Shipped works will be accepted through an art handler, Mike de Pompeo. On or before July 3rd, 2026. See DELIVERY/SHIPPING for details.
Exhibition Opens	July 8, 2026
Exhibition Closes	August 23, 2026
Pick Up Date and Time	Tuesday August 25, 2026 through Friday August 28th, 2026, 10 am - 4 pm

ENTERING YOUR IMAGES:

- Entry form must be filled out in its entirety. List sizes up to the nearest inch. Size of work is framed size. Works over maximum size will be disqualified. Submitted images must not include matting or frame. Crop the photos to include only the artwork. Be sure your images are right-side-up.
- Files will be automatically resized to the correct specifications. You do not need to resize your image.
- Files will be automatically renamed using your Name, Title of work, Medium, Size and Price. You do not need to name your image files.

- For questions about the entry process or this website please contact ShowSubmit Support at support@showsubmit.com.
- Artwork must meet professional web standards. Blurry or poorly lit images will be disqualified.

GENERAL RULES & SPECIFICATIONS:

- Maximum size framed work 36"H x 26"W x 2.5"D (including frame)
- Maximum size for sculpture 24" any direction. Only 5 stands are provided by the gallery which hold up to 75 lbs
- Painting, collage, pastel, watercolor, mixed media and photography sought.
- Work must be professionally ready for hanging (wired, no saw tooth hangers).
- No exceptions.
- Please use plexiglass – glass is accepted for pastel work only.
- Accepted works cannot be substituted and must be available for the duration of the exhibition.
- ALL WORKS MUST BE FOR SALE. Price, title, dimensions of entered work cannot be changed.
- All works MUST be original - no reproductions or GICLEE PRINTS.
- Do not photograph your work in frames or show mats! Do not embed artist-identifying type or copyright.
- Graphic violence, nudes, and/or lewd sexual content prohibited.
- Please note that any artwork that previously won a NAWA award is ineligible for submission to the current and future NAWA juried exhibitions.
- See Waiver for digital and AI restrictions.

PROMOTION:

List Social Media Account. Advertising will be done by NAWA PR Committee.

ARTIST STATEMENT (250 word limit):

Tell us about your inspiration and/or creative process.

DELIVERY OF ACCEPTED WORK (Please Check)

I will deliver my work in person.

I will ship my work to the art handler and understand I will need to include a return shipping label.

COMMISSIONS and SALES:

Prices may not be changed. The artist receives 70% of the stated price, NAWA's commission is 30%. The artist pays the cost of packing and shipping or delivering the work to the purchaser, and any appropriate taxes.

In the event of a sale through the NAWA website, where paid by PayPal, the PayPal fees (1.99% + \$0.49) will be deducted from the price before commissions to the venue, NAWA and the artist.

DELIVERY/SHIPPING:

Hand delivery to Monroe Township Public Library, 4 Municipal Plaza, Monroe Township, NJ 08831 Sunday July 5th between 11am - 4pm and Monday, July 6th between 10am - 4pm. **Hand delivered artwork must arrive without packaging. Please include labels of art attached to work.**

Shipping work for this exhibit is acceptable, but this option requires using an art handler. All shipped works should be received in advance of July 3rd, 2026 c/o Mike de Pompeo (madepompeo@gmail.com), the designated art handler, who charges a \$70 handling fee. CASH OR CHECK ONLY.

If you have any questions on submitting to this exhibition, please contact:
exhibitions@thenawa.org

ENTRY AGREEMENT

The entry application & payment will serve as the entrants' agreement to all conditions (including the waiver below) set forth in this prospectus. Entries will be disqualified for failure to follow these instructions.

NAWA WAIVER- Please read carefully, your delivery signifies agreement with NAWA

My application for entry into the **Monroe Township Cultural Arts Commission Exhibit (4 Municipal Plaza, Monroe Township, NJ 08831)** binds me to the agreement outlined below. I agree to keep the submitted artwork available from the submission date of April 13, 2026, and, if accepted, through the removal date of **August 24th, 2026.**

I hereby declare I am the owner and creator of the original artwork being submitted by me, both as to the artwork's physical manifestation and the copyright of said work.

Original art based upon another's intellectual property is not eligible for entry in NAWA exhibitions, *even if permission has been obtained from the source.*

Artwork generated through artificial intelligence based upon a third party's intellectual property will not be accepted.

Artificial Intelligence ("AI") assisted, as a minor component (not entirely AI generated or underpainted) and digital media **are** acceptable if labeled with "digital" and/or "AI assisted" somewhere in the medium label. *Original* digital artwork IS acceptable as a fine-quality printout.

If AI is determined by the submission and not declared, it will be disqualified. Please be honest about your chosen medium.

I understand that my work may not be included if it fails to meet professional presentation standards (as determined by the Exhibitions Committee), including but not limited to: unprofessional framing, sawtooth hangers (must be professionally wired), or delivering wrong work.

I hereby waive any and all claims against the National Association of Women Artists, Inc., as well as their employees, officers, directors and committee personnel.

Nevertheless, for the purpose of this agreement, I agree that the stated value of the artwork shall be One U.S.Dollar (1USD, \$1), in the event of any loss or damage to the piece of artwork.

I agree to allow an image of my artwork to be exhibited or to be used without charge by NAWA, Monroe Township Cultural Arts Commission, and the Monroe Township Public Library, for advertising and/or promotion in the furtherance of the Exhibition, and for other purposes including, but not limited to traditional media, social media, website, as well for public relations, prior to and/or during or after the Exhibition. In the case of the latter- after the exhibit, NAWA will ask permission if use is requested. **Click here to refuse permission to use artwork on Social Media.---** The waiver still holds you to use for publicity on traditional media and the NAWA website.

My work is to be available for sale at the price hereinbefore agreed on. I agree that if my work is sold during the exhibition, I will pay NAWA Headquarters **30%**, I will retain **70%** of the selling price. For payments through the NAWA website (QR codes), PayPal fees 1.99% + .49 per transaction will be deducted from the price before commissions to the venue, NAWA, and the artist. If payment is made through NAWA database (by phone), fees may differ depending on the credit card used.

Point of release clause: the work on exhibition is considered part of the exhibition from the point of notification of acceptance on or around **the week of May 25, 2026** and the close of exhibition **August 23, 2026**. NAWA retains the right of discretion not to exhibit artworks if they do not meet the requirements of NAWA show standards, or contain any inflammatory or offensive materials.

Labels: NAWA is a not-for-profit art organization, and as such will not list anything other than the name of the artist, the title of the work, its dimensions, medium and price on the labels.

In the event of a dispute with regard to this Waiver Agreement, we agree that all disputes must be adjudicated in a State Court in the County, City and State of New York (i.e., Manhattan), under the Laws of the State of New York, without regard to choice of law rules.

Note: The use of the National Association of Women Artists, Inc.'s logo, without prior written permission is prohibited. The use of the registered Trademark Seal and the logo of the National Association of Women Artists, Inc. for any personal or business use on any documents, postcards, invitations, and other promotional materials and communications is a violation of law.

Entry to this exhibition denotes my agreement to the policies of this Waiver.

Monroe Township Cultural Arts Commission Waiver

By entering my submission, I agree to all the Juried Art Show guidelines as stated on the Monroe Township Cultural Arts Commission (MTCAC) website www.monroetownshiparts.com and accept full responsibility for any and all damages, loss, theft, and/or casualty of any kind while in the custody and possession of Monroe Township Public Library (MTPL). Additionally, I waive any and all claims against the MTCAC and/or MTPL, as well as their staff, directors and volunteers and understand that artwork may not be hung or displayed if it arrives damaged or differs significantly from the image submitted. I give my permission to MTCAC and/or MTPL to use photographs of accepted artwork without charge for publicity purposes not limited to traditional media, social media, website as well as public relations, prior to and/or after the Juried Art Show.

Artwork Label

Title of Exhibit: _____

Artist: _____

Email: _____

Phone #: _____

Title: _____

Medium: _____

Size: _____ **Price:** _____

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