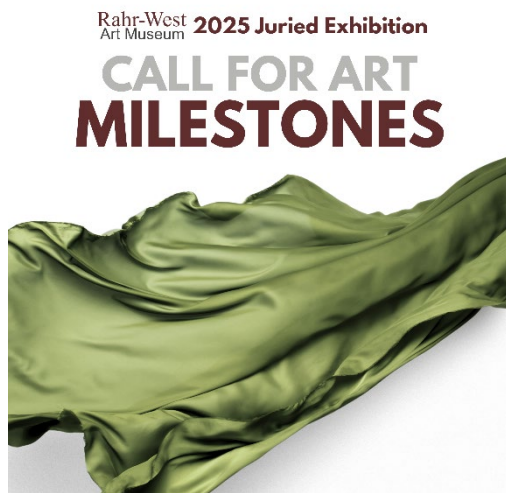


Rahr-West Art Museum

2025 Open Juried Exhibition Prospectus: *Milestones*



Milestones will be a juried exhibition of works held in the John West Gallery of the Rahr-West Art Museum. We expect 40-60 works to be chosen from among the entries.

As the Museum celebrates its 75th Anniversary in 2025, *Milestones* explores significant moments of change and achievement, capturing pivotal events that shape personal and collective histories.

Exhibit Dates: Sunday, August 17 – Sunday, September 14, 2025

Reception: Sunday, August 17, 2025 1:00 – 3:00 pm, Awards Presentation at 2:00pm

Juror Information



Emma Hitzman, Curator at the Cedarburg Art Museum

Emma Hitzman was raised in the rural Midwest and has lived in Northeast Wisconsin for a majority of her career. She received her BA in Studio Arts and a minor in Arts Management with an emphasis in Gallery and Museum Practices in 2016 from the University of Wisconsin - Green Bay. Currently, she represents the Cedarburg Art Museum as Museum Curator. Hitzman's artwork and research centralizes around nostalgia, remembered environments, and how they are explored through alternative photographic processes

Eligibility

- All artists must be 18 years or older.
- Maximum of three works may be submitted; up to three works may be accepted.
- Each entry must be an original design concept of the artist, executed within the last two years.
- Work done in a workshop or with an instructor is ineligible.

- Committee reserves the right to decline any work that suggests copyright infringement or does not meet the criteria.
- Work previously exhibited at the Rahr-West Art Museum will not be accepted.
- All 2D and 3D media are eligible, with the few exceptions noted here. No video or installations.
- Artwork cannot exceed 48 inches in any direction it cannot weigh more than 100 pounds.
- All work must be ready for display.
 - Two-dimensional artwork must be suitable framed with wires for hanging. No sawtooth hanger, plastic clip hangers, etc.
 - Three-Dimensional work must be pedestal ready.

Entry Procedure

Submissions accepted through Sunday, June 22, 2025.

Apply at <https://form.jotform.com/251246648922159>

Digital Entry Preparations

- Digital entries must be jpg format with a total file size not exceeding 2.5MB.
- Naming files: artistlastname_title_entry# (example: smith_exceptionaltitle_entry1.jpg).
 - The entry numbers are only required if you submit more than one piece.
 - Please use 1, 2, and 3 and have these correspond to the application information.
 - These are especially important if you submit more than one piece with the same title.
- Remember: your art will be judged from the photo you submit. Make it as professional as you can.
- Go to www.rahrwestartmuseum.org to enter.

Fees

- Rahr-West Art Museum Members pay \$15; nonmembers pay \$30.
- If you wish to become a member or renew your membership please call (920) 686-3090.

Commitment

Entry to this exhibit establishes an agreement on the part of the artist to exhibit selected works under all conditions in this prospectus. Substitutions for accepted works are not allowed.

Presentation

- All 2D works must be ready to hang and securely wired. Clip frames and saw tooth hangers are not acceptable. For your art work's preservation, all works on paper, matted or not, or in shadow boxes, should be glazed.
- Maximum size for hanging work is 48" in any direction, including frame. All multi-part 2D works must be within one frame or with part securely attached to each other.
- Sculpture must not exceed 100 pounds, and must safely fit on a 24" square pedestal or on the floor. Inquire in writing before submitting work requiring unusual floor space.

- Intake committee reserves the right to exclude any piece they deem not suitably framed and wired for hanging, considered hazardous in a public place, or that differs significantly from the digital image submitted.
- No food or live or dried plants, leaves, branches or logs are permitted in the Exhibition. The Rahr-West Art Museum has a strict policy regarding anything that might attract pests into the building and harm the artwork.

Insurance

Unless the exhibitor expressly elects to maintain his/her own insurance, the Rahr-West Art Museum will insure this loan under the terms of its fine arts policy. The loan will be insured for the amount given on the face of their loan agreement, to be signed by exhibitor at submission, against all risks of physical loss or damage from any external cause while on location during the period of the exhibition. The policy contains the usual exclusions of “all risk” policies. If the exhibitor chooses to maintain their own insurance, this shall constitute a release of Rahr-West Art Museum from any liability in connection with the property on loan. The Rahr-West Art Museum will give to all works of art loaned to it the same care as they would receive if they were the Museum’s own property.

Sales

- The purchase price for works sold, less a 20% commission, will be forwarded to the artist at the first billing period after the close of the exhibition.
- All works submitted as “Not for Sale” (NFS) must have a value attached for insurance purposes.
- All works must stay at the museum for the duration of the exhibit. If necessary, arrangements for shipping artwork must be made between the artist and the purchaser.
- City Policy states a completed W-9 form must be on file before a check can be issued. If necessary, artists will be contacted to complete a W-9, should their piece(s) sell.

Delivery of Accepted Art

- Thursday August 7 – Sunday, August 10, 2025 during Museum operating hours.
- Hand-deliver to the Rahr-West Art Museum at 610 N. 8th Street, Manitowoc, Wisconsin.
- No shipped works will be accepted.
- No work may be removed from the exhibit, for any reason, before the exhibit ends.

Pick-Up

- Dates:
 - Sunday, September 14, 2025 between 4:00 pm and 5:00 pm
 - Monday, September 15, 2025 by appointment
 - Tuesday, September 19, 2025 between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm
- If an artist sends a representative to pick up the work, the representative must bring permission in writing signed by the artist.

Calendar

Sunday, June 22, 2025 Deadline for entries

Wednesday, July 16, 2025 Jurying results emailed to artists

Deliver work to the Rahr-West Art Museum

Thursday and Friday, August 7 and 8, 2025 between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm

Saturday and Sunday, August 9 and 10, 2024 between 11:00 am and 4:00 pm

Sunday, August 17, 2025 Opening Reception 1:00-3:00 pm
Awards Presentation at 2:00 pm

Sunday, September 14, 2025 Show closes

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Awards

- First Place \$500 and solo exhibition at the Rahr-West Art Museum in 2024
- Second Place \$250
- Third Place \$100

Inquiries/Questions

Questions can be emailed to rahrwest@manitowoc.org or call (920) 686-3090