In Focus

Who is eligible to enter?

Two 2D and two 3D categories are available: I High school and college students Adults What is the deadline? Entries must be received by 4:00 pm, Saturday, September 25, 2021. Is there an application fee? Yea, The fee is \$25. Members of NAL will be abord

Yes. The fee is \$25. Members of NAL will be charged \$15.

Are there prizes?

Yes!

- •Best of Show Award: \$350
- •Awards of Excellence: \$100
- •Honorable Mentions will receive a ribbon.

•All Award winners will be recognized

in a press release and on the NAL website.

When is the exhibit?

Entries will be exhibited at Naperville Art League's Fine Art Center & Gallery from

September 28 through October 21, 2021.

Artists' Awards will be presented on October 3, 2021 at 3:00 pm.

NAL will host a non-perishable food drive for Aurora Area Interfaith Food Pantry throughout the exhibit.

ENTRIES DUE BY

Saturday, Sept. 25, 2021

4:00 pm.



The mission of Aurora Area Interfaith Food Pantry is to help end local hunger by ensuring that everyone has access to enough nourishing food, thereby helping our overall community stay healthy and productive.

Today, operating via drive thru distribution method, Aurora Food Pantry is one of the largest food pantries in Northern Illinois, distributing 3.6 million pounds of food this year to over 67,000 food insecure families. With an expansive food rescue program, and countless community partners, Aurora Food Pantry is dedicated to ending hunger in the community by providing nutritious food in a humanitarian and compassionate manner to all who seek assistance.

Find out more information by visiting our website, www.aurorafoodpantry.org

You can also follow us on social media, we are on Facebook, Instagram & TikTok.

The Naperville Art League is a non-profit organization created to support and sustain development and diversity of all forms of art. Through art education, programs, workshops and exhibits, NAL dedicates itself to providing art instruction as well as raising awareness and appreciation of the arts for the cultural enhancement of the community.

Become a member today!

Gallery Hours:

Tuesdays — Fridays: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Saturdays: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

www.napervilleartleague.com

Public Art Competition Call for artists



"Split Rail" by Gary Bahnick

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Theme

The first time, the Naperville Art League (NAL) is partnering with non-profit Aurora Area Interfaith Food Pantry for our Public Art Competition. All entries must be the artist's personal, original artistic interpretation of the theme: *In Focus*. An artist's statement of 100 words or less explaining how your work relates to the theme must accompany your piece. Work that does not reflect the theme may be rejected.

Content

Pieces may be representational or abstract. All work must be original in design, concept and execution and signed by the artist. Pieces must have been made within the last 3 years. Group projects, kits or commercially prepared objects that are decorated will not be eligible. **No previously winning artwork!**

Media

Any media or mixed-media may be used. Photography and computer art are acceptable.

Size

Maximum size for 2-D pieces is 36" x 48" for the outside frame in either direction. Pieces must be appropriately framed and ready to hang with a wire hanger. No "sawtooth" hangers. "Top" or any special hanging requirements must be plainly marked on the back to avoid hanging errors.

Maximum size for 3-D pieces is 48" high by 36" wide and/or deep; no more than 30 lbs. and must be free-standing, ready to display.

Disclaimer

Any deviation from the rules is subject to review and approval by the exhibit committee.

Delivery

Work must be brought to the Naperville Art League's Fine Art Center & Gallery, 508 N. Center St. by 4:00 pm on Saturday, Sept. 25, 2021 The Entry Form must be completed and affixed to the piece along with an artist's statement explaining how the entry relates to the theme (100 words or less).

Entry fee

\$25 (non-members) by cash or check payable to Naperville Art League. Mastercard, Visa, Discover and American Express also accepted. \$15 for members of NAL.

Judging

The show will be professionally judged. Cash prizes will be awarded to the winners of Best of Show and Awards of Excellence. Honorable Mention winners will receive ribbons.

Pick-up

All work must be picked up within one week following the exhibit. Please pick up **Oct. 23, 2021**. Any pieces not retrieved by Oct. 29, 2021 become the property of the Naperville Art League.

Please note

The Naperville Art League reserves the right to refuse any piece deemed, in their sole discretion, to include inappropriate content/subject matter or that does not adhere to the standards deemed acceptable, such as improper wiring and poor quality matting or framing.

Questions?

Please call the Naperville Art League at 630.355.2530 or visit us either at 508 N. Center Street, Naperville or on the web at www.napervilleartleague.com.

One entry per artist will be accepted.

Please attach this form securely to the reverse (or bottom) of your entry.

Category (check one):

High	school	and	college	students

Adults



I am a 🗖 professional or 🗖 amateur artist.

- I have attached my artist's statement explaining how the entry relates to the theme (**100 words or less**).
- I have enclosed my entry fee of \$25, \$15 for NAL members.

Title of Piece:_____

Media:_____

Size and/or weight:_____

Is your piece for sale during the exhibit?

No	Yes.	Price is:	
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Artist's name:_____

Street address:_____

City, State, Zip:_____

Telephone:_____

Email:_____

I understand that every care will be taken to safeguard all works of art submitted, however, the Naperville Art League, its members, employees or consultants will not assume any liability for any loss or damage whatsoever occurring as a result of my participation in the above exhibit.

Signature:__

(Parent or guardian signature for artists under 18). Date:_____