

# Miniature Art Society of Florida

## 51<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL MINIATURE ART EXHIBITION

JANUARY 18 – FEBRUARY 15, 2026

### Show Venue

LEEPA-RATTNER MUSEUM OF ART

St. Petersburg College

Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

Website: <https://leeparattner.org>



## CALENDAR

**ENTRY DATES: AUGUST 15 – SEPTEMBER 26, 2025**

**SEPTEMBER 26, 2025** DEADLINE for receipt of  
artwork, entry form, and fees

JANUARY 17, 2026

COLLECTORS PREVIEW

JANUARY 18, 2026

AWARDS BRUNCH AND

OFFICIAL OPENING

FEBRUARY 15, 2026

EXHIBITION CLOSING

## 2026 EXHIBITION PROSPECTUS

The Miniature Art Society of Florida (MASF) Exhibition is a juried exhibit open to both members and non-members eighteen years and older. All entries are subject to a Framing and Rules review and a Jury of Selection. The Jury has final discretion in interpretation of rules and quality of work submitted. All accepted artwork will be exhibited at the venue and, virtually, in the online exhibition. Over \$8,000 will be awarded in monetary prizes.

Artists are welcome to contact MASF at [admin@miniatureartsocietyofflorida.com](mailto:admin@miniatureartsocietyofflorida.com) for questions or advice regarding submitting artwork entries for the MASF Annual Exhibition.

### ENTRIES

- Artists may submit up to six works.
- Artwork must not have been previously exhibited in a MASF exhibition and must have been created by a living artist 18 years or older.
- Artwork must be original. By submitting your work you are attesting that it is your original design and created by you and that there are no copyright infringements.
- Graphics/printmaking artwork (wood block, intaglio, aquatint, linoprint, etc.) must be created from original plates or blocks created by the artist and be hand-pulled or printed individually by the artist.
- Numbered prints or cast sculptures must have an edition number indicated on the entry form in parentheses after the title. For example, *Autumn Day* (1/25).
- **Exclusions:** The following will not be accepted
  - Ivory, including piano keys
  - Feathers or any work created on feathers
  - Photographic work
  - Artwork created by photographic, digital, laser, or giclée techniques
  - Jewelry or craft work, including fiber arts
  - Functional objects or any artwork created on functional objects such as boxes, plates, etc.

### SIZE REQUIREMENTS

- Image size for two-dimensional works, excluding frame and mat, must not exceed **25 square inches**.
- Framed size must not exceed **64 square inches** and no dimension may exceed **9 inches**.
- Sculptures must not exceed **8 inches** on the longest side, including the base.
- Sculpture, which is not mounted on a firm base, must be able to stand on its own for display.

## FRAMING REQUIREMENTS

- Frames must be **consistent with fine art** and have **neatly covered backs**.
- Frames, glass, and mats must be in good condition and will be considered part of the work for jurying.
- Framed art should not exceed **1 pound** in weight due to the limits of the fabric in our display cases.
- Frame depth should not exceed **1 inch**. Frame width should not exceed **1 ¼ inch**.
- **No plastic, sectional metal, or standing table-top frames**. However, metal frames consistent with miniature artwork and in scale to the artwork are acceptable.
- Each framed entry must be ready to hang. Framed artwork will be sewn onto the fabric of our display cases. Small rings or screw eyes at the back top center of the frame are preferred. Traditional hanging wires with small screw eyes will be accepted. Each frame should also have a Velcro pad (rough hook side) attached to the bottom center of the back of the frame. This will help the artwork to stick to the fabric in the display cases so that the frames hang straight.

## JURY PROCESS

A panel of MASF member jurors will review each artwork entry. Works will be evaluated for size restrictions, framing and mats, artwork quality and miniature style. Refer to the FAQ section on the MASF website for information about miniature fine art requirements.

## ACCEPTANCE NOTICE

A list of accepted works will be posted in October on the MASF website.

## JUDGING PROCESS

The judge of awards will initially preview all artwork from digital images and then view all finalist artworks in person. Sculpture artists are required to submit digital images of their artworks by email to MASF before the entry deadline. Although MASF will photograph all accepted artworks, artists are encouraged to also submit their own digital images. In addition to being previewed by the judge, the digital images will also be utilized for the online posting of the exhibition. Refer to the **Exhibition Information** section on the MASF website for photography tips.

## AWARDS

Our awards total over \$8,000. Our top tier of awards selected by the Judge of Awards will include: Best of Show, Excellence in All Entries, MAA Award of Excellence, Best Work By a First Time Entrant, Best Cat—Domestic or Wild, Aqua Vita Award, Sylvia Trundle Memorial Award, and Joan Cornish Willies Memorial Award for Best Traditional Oil Miniature. Additional awards may be added, determined by future donations.

For the 2026 Exhibition, we will be adding two additional awards:

- Best International Artist Award (selected from accepted artworks submitted by International Artists)
- Vanishing Florida Award (Historical/Rural—Its People, Places, or Wildlife)

In addition to our top tier awards, artists may enter each submitted artwork into a Media and a Subject Category from the following lists for awards. Select and enter your media class and subject category on your entry form.

MEDIA				CATEGORIES			
<b>A</b>	Acrylic	<b>PM</b>	Printmaking	<b>AS</b>	Abstract/ Surrealism	<b>FB</b>	Floral or Botanical
<b>DP</b>	Drawing or Pastel	<b>S</b>	Sculpture		/Fantasy	<b>HP</b>	Human Figure or Portrait
<b>MM</b>	Mixed Media	<b>TW</b>	Transparent Watercolor	<b>AN</b>	Animals	<b>IS</b>	Interior or Still Life
<b>O</b>	Oil			<b>B</b>	Birds	<b>L</b>	Landscape
<b>OW</b>	Opaque Watercolor			<b>C</b>	Calligraphy	<b>W</b>	Waterscape/Seascape
				<b>EA</b>	Exterior or Architectural		/Marine

## ENTRY FEE

- MASF Member\_\_\_\_\_ \$40
- Non-MASF Member\_\_\_\_\_ \$50

## HANDLING FEE

- Artist will pick up artwork after exhibition--\$0
- MASF will ship artwork after exhibition to a USA address--\$15
- MASF will ship artwork after exhibition to a non-USA address--\$25

## ADDITIONAL SHIPPING INSURANCE

Add \$1 for every \$100 of contents insurance coverage over the included \$200 provided for shipping with USPS.

All fees are due before submitting your electronic entry form and must be received by the entry deadline. If you are unable to pay by electronic method, enter your check number instead of payment code and enclose check with your artwork shipment.

## METHOD OF PAYMENT

Entry fees payment should be paid electronically through the Zeffy Entry Fees payment button on the Entry Form. **For instructions go to Entry Form Instructions located on the MASF Annual Exhibition page.**

If you need assistance, contact MASF at [admin@miniatureartsocietyofflorida.com](mailto:admin@miniatureartsocietyofflorida.com) .  
If you are unable to pay electronically or do not wish to do so, you may pay by check.

## SALES PRICES

- Price work no lower than \$100. Set prices in increments of \$5.
- MASF will retain a 35% sales commission on all sales.
- Artists may enter no more than one “Not For Sale” artwork.
- The quoting of a price on the Entry Form constitutes a simple agent agreement that the Miniature Art Society of Florida, Inc. will act on behalf of artists and handle all sales.
- Artists will be able to check the sold status of their artworks at our online version of the exhibition on our website during the exhibition. All sales are final at the time the sale is completed.

## ENTRY FORM:

The entry form **MUST** be completed by electronic method. By completing the electronic form, your artwork show tags will be automatically generated and your entry data will automatically be transferred to the MASF database for show display labels and catalog entries. **See instructions on the Exhibition Information pages on the MASF website.** If you are unable to complete the electronic entry form, please contact MASF at [admin@miniatureartsocietyofflorida.com](mailto:admin@miniatureartsocietyofflorida.com) for assistance.

## ONLINE SHOW

An online show for viewing and sales of all accepted entries will be produced along with the venue show. Each framed artwork will be shown as the framed art image.

## LIABILITY

All entries submitted in accordance with this prospectus will receive the utmost care in handling and security precautions. However, no responsibility will be assumed by the Miniature Art Society of Florida, Inc. for loss or damage to works while in transit or in the custody of the Society in connection with or during the Show. **It is understood that the sending of work in response to this prospectus constitutes an agreement on the part of the sender to ALL conditions set forth in this prospectus.**

## BIOGRAPHIES

Artists' biographies are not mandatory but are highly recommended. You may send a copy with your artwork or send as an attachment by email to [admin@miniatureartsocietyofflorida.com](mailto:admin@miniatureartsocietyofflorida.com).

## PACKING:

- All artwork must be packaged in a sturdy corrugated shipping box.
- Do not reuse old boxes with old address and/or barcode labels. Extraneous /old addresses and bar codes could cause the box to be sent to an unintended location.
- **Do not recycle commercial boxes.** Printing on the outer surface of the box may list contents or ingredients that are not permitted to be shipped and may be refused by shippers.
- When placing the artwork into your shipping box, wrap each work in a padded envelope or bubble wrap with no further securing. Pack securely in a sturdy carton strong enough for return mailing. **Please do not use bags or envelopes as mailing shipping containers.**
- **Each sculpture must be individually boxed and labeled with title and artist's name on each box. Individually boxed sculptures must then be combined into one larger box for shipping to MASF.**
- Do not pack with Styrofoam "peanuts or popcorn" or shredded paper.
- **A signed copy of your entry form and biography (optional) must be enclosed with the artwork.**
- **Do not** include prepaid shipping labels in the box. For non-USA residents, please include any special instructions for return mailing duty free requirements, if any.

## SHIPPING

Shipping	Hand-Delivery Only
Miniature Art Society of Florida 1497 Main Street, Suite 323 Dunedin, FL 34698	Miniature Art Society of Florida Stirling Art Studios & Gallery, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor 730 Broadway Street Dunedin, FL 34698

All entries must arrive between August 15, 2025 and September 26, 2025 (deadline).

Local artists who choose to hand-deliver their entries should schedule a time and date for delivery by contacting MASF at [admin@miniatureartsocietyofflorida.com](mailto:admin@miniatureartsocietyofflorida.com). The MASF studio is open by appointment only.

## AGREEMENT

The artist's signature must be on the copy of the entry form included with the artworks and attests to the following:

- I submit the above entries in agreement with all conditions set forth in the show prospectus and authorize photographs of all entries for publicity purposes in the catalog or the news media. I also authorize the use of all photos in educational slide or video programs and in support of the Online Show.
- All of the artwork was created entirely by my hand on a blank substrate.
- If submitting "Original Numbered Prints", I certify that I alone have created the image on the plate or block and the prints have been hand-pulled by me.
- I also agree that the Miniature Art Society of Florida is NOT responsible for any infringement on copyrighted work and that copied works will not knowingly be accepted.

## RETURN OF ARTWORKS

Any artwork entries received but not accepted by the show jurors will be returned with unsold works after the close of the show. When unsold works are shipped back to you, we will provide you with a parcel tracking number at the time of shipping.

## METHOD OF PAYMENT TO ARTISTS:

Payment to artists for sales and/or awards will be made by check. International artists may choose to be paid by either check or PayPal. (For international artists, a check box has been included on the entry form to be checked if you would like payment for award or sales via PayPal, otherwise payment will be made by check.)

## 2026 EXHIBITION CHECKLIST

1. Complete the online entry form.
2. Pay the entry fee:
  - 1) With the Zeffy link (preferred) located on the electronic entry form.
  - 2) With a check made out to MASF and enclosed with your artworks.
  - 3) International Artists **only**: if you need to pay by PayPal, send payment to this email: [admin@miniatureartsocietyofflorida.com](mailto:admin@miniatureartsocietyofflorida.com)
3. Print two copies of your form, one for MASF and one to keep for your records.
4. Submit your form electronically. Did you receive the confirmation message?
5. Review and complete each item on the Packing Checklist below.
6. Mail or hand-deliver your artwork to MASF.

### PACKING CHECK LIST

1. Confirm that your original work(s) has/have not been exhibited in a previous MASF show.
2. Check that the back of each framed work has been neatly and securely covered consistent with fine art and is ready to be hung. NO staples.
3. Check that you have labeled the back of each artwork with your name and the artwork title (may be hand-written).
4. Check that a show tag from your entry form has been attached to the back of each artwork and that the title on each tag matches the title of the artwork.
5. Check that each show tag number and information matches the corresponding entry number on the entry form.
6. For numbered prints or sculptures, the edition number should appear on both the show tag and entry form.
7. The image size and framed size or sculpture dimensions must be carefully measured and recorded on the entry form.
8. For framed artworks, check that your frames and mat and glass, if used, are clean and neat.
9. For framed artworks, check that you have small rings or small screw eyes with wire are attached to the back for hanging and one Velcro pad (rough hook side) has been attached to the lower center of the back.
10. Each work should be carefully wrapped and packed into suitable sturdy mailing box/carton. Please do not recycle boxes used for other shipments.
11. Enclose and place in an envelope on top of the artwork inside your mailing box:
  - a. **A copy of your completed and signed entry form (keep a second copy for your records).**
  - b. If paying by check, your entry payment check or money order in U.S. dollars made out to MASF. DO NOT send cash.
  - c. Your artist's biography (optional, but recommended).
12. Your box is mailed to arrive **within the dates of August 15 to September 26, 2025.**