

NVAL Artwork Exhibiting Policy

NVAL supports local artists by displaying their artwork, both highly experienced and less experienced alike. For each member's show, the Installation Committee will accommodate the maximum number of artworks and artists that will aesthetically fit in the gallery. The overall effect and space available determine the placement of artwork in any show. No one artist's work is given preference in hanging.

The NVAL Board has adopted the following policies which are standard with regional non-profit galleries:

1. The North Valley Art League shall not be responsible for, and assumes no Liability arising from fire, theft, damage, or loss to ARTIST's property, including without limitation, the displayed artwork or any other items. ARTIST hereby releases and discharges the North Valley Art League from all claims and demands by ARTIST for loss of or damage to ARTIST's property.
2. The ARTIST further agrees that the North Valley Art League may use digital images of the ARTIST's original artwork for promotion of the art exhibit and the North Valley Art League.

NVAL Requirements for Exhibiting Work

For All Exhibits

- Artwork created using AI (artificial intelligence) will not be accepted for display.
- All artwork must be original. Photographic prints and digital art are considered original work. Prints of original artwork can be displayed in the gift shop, though must first be approved by the Gift Shop Committee. Ask at the gallery how to contact the Gift Shop Committee Chairman.
- Maximum artwork weight is 12 pounds.
- All artwork must be ready to hang.
- Framing must be substantial and up to typical gallery standards (e.g., **no poster frames**).
- Hanging hardware requirements:
 - Frames must be fitted with D-rings or O-rings (split rings) that fit the NVAL hanging system ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch to $\frac{3}{4}$ inch). Eye hooks and alligator hangers are NOT acceptable.
 - Rings must be properly attached to the frame by screws, nails, bolts, etc. Glued-on D-rings are NOT acceptable.
 - Artwork not meeting these hanging hardware requirements will not be hung.

- Hanging wire is not necessary, but needn't be removed as long as D-rings are fitted to the frame.
- For most pieces, place D-rings 2" from top of the frame to prevent the frame from leaning away from the wall at the top. With large pieces, 3" from the top works well.
- Please do not use hanging hardware centered on the top of the frame. The artwork will be unstable when hung.

Additional Requirements for Member Exhibits

- NVAL membership dues must be up-to-date.
- Hanging fees are \$5.00 for each work of art submitted and are not refundable.
- Artist will list each submitted artwork in order of preference; in event of lack of space in exhibit to feature all submissions, overflow art will be prioritized for the next installment.
- Any individual artwork can be submitted for show in a member's exhibit no more frequently than once every 12 months. This criterion does not apply to juried shows.

Additional Requirements for Juried Exhibits

- Typically, gallery-wrapped canvases greater than 1.5 inches in depth may be framed or appropriately finished (*e.g.*, edges painted).
- Typically, gallery-wrapped canvases less than 1.5 inches in depth must be framed.
- The above two criteria may be changed for specific juried shows. Always read the show prospectus carefully to be sure your work meets the requirements of that show.