

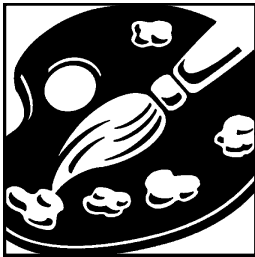
# Covenant Center Art Show

*To provide artists and photographers of all ages, a place to display their talents through paintings, drawings and photographs. To encourage and allow growth of the talents to be seen and appreciated by the people that come to view their works. May all that chose to participate or those who chose to visit, both be enriched by the experience of being here.*

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## HISTORY OF OUR ART SHOW

The **Kittanning Art Association** had it's first art show in 1951. Their art shows were held at various sites in Kittanning until its 42nd show in 1993 at the Covenant Center. The Kittanning Art Association was disbanding and asked the First United Methodist Church to "take on" the art show as a project. Thus, the Covenant Center Art Show began!



The **first Covenant Center Art Show** in 1994 had 49 artists exhibiting 153 pieces of art. A Photography section was added in 1997.



As always, our exhibitors represent many communities in a large surrounding area.



The Covenant Center Art Show is also an art sale! Last year, 220 pieces were hung and of the 158 pieces priced "for sale", 18 were sold. Note: Covenant Center Art Show retains 15% of all sales.

## THE BUILDING

The structure that houses the Covenant Center was built in 1954 and dedicated as the Synagogue of the Kneseth Israel Congregation. The rededication of this building, now known as the **First United Methodist Church Covenant Center** was held October 27, 1991.

## OUR SYMBOL

The Covenant Center



symbol combines the Hebrew and the Christian traditions with The Star of David being placed at the base of the cross and flame to signify the growth of Christianity from the Hebrew tra-

dition. This symbol was adopted as **the symbol of the Covenant Center Art Show** and can be found on all of our ribbon awards.

## AWARDS

The art show is non-profit. Exhibitors' fees are put back into the monied awards, as are the "fish bowl" donations given by visitors to the show. **Monied awards for this thirtieth show will total \$880.**

## OUR SPONSORS

The art show has enjoyed community support by the sponsorship of special awards. The awards for 2024 will be:

**Olive Round Memorial "Best New Artist" \* \$50**

**NextTier Bank (The Joan Tatsak Memorial Award) "Best of Show" \$100**

**Jean Elgin Memorial Award "Best Armstrong County Scene" \$50**

**Kittanning Garden Club (The Barb Pryde Memorial Award) "Best Floral Picture" \$50**

\*Best New Artist = First time with Covenant Center Art Show

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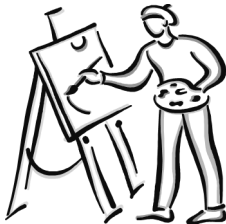
## ART SHOW 2023 TRIVIA

### Winner of People's Choice Award



#141 "Inferno" Bill Blose of Kittanning, PA  
& (Student) #68 "Painted Elephant" Abby Yankasky of Ford City, PA

- 507 votes were cast for the People's Choice Award
- There were 19 different "show sitters"
- 250 show booklets were printed.
- Fish bowl donations totaled \$170.41
- Exhibitor Breakdown:
  - 24 Artists (including 3 students)
  - 33 Photographers (including 5 students)
  - 220 total pieces



## 2024 ART SHOW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Penny Ashley  
Melissa Bureau  
Sally Felton  
Audrey Green  
Sue Hankey  
Janet McKelvey  
Beverly Patton  
Linda Scaife  
Diane Thomas

## JUDGE INFORMATION

The chairperson of the committee has been delegated the duties of judge selection for each show. To assist in that process we ask the current judge to provide us with 3 potential judges. This gives us a starting point in the search for the next year's show.

The past judges have been diverse in their education, backgrounds, and fields of expertise.

This year's judge is experienced in both art and photography

## SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

In conjunction with the Covenant Center Art Show, a Children's Art Exhibit is located in the main dining room of the Covenant Center.

Children who attend the First United Methodist Church Vacation Bible School in June will create these pictures to be shared with you. (Who knows! They may be future exhibitors!)



## NEWS & TIPS FOR EXHIBITORS

- Applications may be entered online <http://www.firstchurchkittanning.com/artshow> (starting May 1)
- 6 Entries are permitted—after 3 at the regular entry fee, **the 4th entry is free!**
- Payment must be received via mail to be considered registered.
- Please, one artist per application.
- If exhibitor is entering pieces for both Art & Photo, please "check out" in both categories.

## 2024 DATES TO REMEMBER

- **Thursday, July 18<sup>th</sup>** Deadline for applications
- **Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup>** Bring in Art/Photos to Covenant Center (12:30—2:30 PM)
- **Wednesday, July 31<sup>st</sup>**—Meet & Greet (6:00 pm) - Private show preview for all Exhibitors
- **Thursday, August 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>**- Festival Dates
- **Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>** : Pick up Art/Photos from Covenant Center (5:00—6:00 PM)

## First United Methodist Church — Kittanning, PA

[www.facebook.com/covenantcenterartshow](http://www.facebook.com/covenantcenterartshow) for information and updates directly related to the Art Show.

[www.facebook.com/firstchurchkittanning](http://www.facebook.com/firstchurchkittanning) for Worship information (Live streamed Worship at 11:00 Sundays)