Converse Emerging Young Artists Juried Exhibition

February 13-20, 2027 Milliken Art Gallery at Converse University

Awards Ceremony and Reception 1-2:30pm, February 20, 2027 in the Gallery

Purpose: To provide a venue to recognize exemplary art works of high school students, to help them begin to prepare for a major in art while still in grades 9-12, and to introduce them to the Converse University Department of Art and Design and the variety of majors offered to students at Converse.

Awards: 1st; 2nd; 3rd place in each medium: Drawing, Painting, Mixed, Printmaking, Ceramics, Sculpture, Digital Media/ Graphic Design, Photography; and Best in Show. Note: online submission only.

Guidelines:

- High school students grades 9-12 are eligible to **enter through their art teacher**.
- All media are eligible, except jewelry. No work is to be submitted that requires security cases.
- All work must be ready for display. If matted, use a neutral (white/cream/gray/black) mat with a 3" margin & cover with acetate. Back of work must include hanging apparatus and completed label below. No glass allowed in framing!
- 3-D work weight limit: Maximum 50 lbs.
- 2-D work size limit: Maximum 40 in. in either direction, including mat. Please note this limit!
  Students may submit 1 or 2 pieces through their art teacher. Each art teacher may submit up to 6 works of art at

- Please submit a good quality jpeg image of each student's work. Sculptures should be photographed against a neutral background and 2D pieces should be cropped to the edge of the work. The file must have resolution of **at least 120ppi (pixels per inch) and no smaller than 3x5 in**. A pdf with more information on how to determine image size can be found at: Converse.edu/CEYA

By entering, photos of your work may be used for Converse Emerging Young Artists promotional materials.

This is a juried competition. Art teachers will be notified by March 2nd of students whose works have been selected for the exhibition. Please put aside all work that it submitted so that it is readily available and in good condition if selected.

Event Schedule:

- Work will be on display in the Milliken Art Gallery between February 13th-February 20th
- Reception will take place on Saturday, February 20th from 1-2:30pm
- Awards will be announced at 2pm
- Work can be taken home at 2:30pm. MUST BE PICKED UP BY THE **TEACHER** THAT SUBMITTED IT, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED AT DROP OFF.

Deadlines and Delivery of Selected Works:

- Entries MUST be received online by January 15th. Teachers submit on behalf of the student.
- Teachers will be notified of selected works by January 22nd

Selected Works can be delivered by hand to the Milliken Art Gallery on the following dates between

- Wednesday, February 10th 9am-5pm
- Thursday, February 11th 9am-6pm

Please email **sarah.murphy@converse.edu** to let us know when you are coming. If you are not able to deliver the work at this time, please email to make special arrangements.

If accepted work is being mailed, we MUST receive it by February 9th. Please send full postage and packing charges at time of submission if you want work mailed back.

Art work should be delivered to:

Department of Art and Design, Converse University (The Milliken Art Building is located at the back of campus)
580 E. Main Street, Spartanburg, SC 29302

Art work should be collected immediately following the awards ceremony and reception on February 20, 2027, at 2:30pm. All teachers, parents, and students are invited to attend! Please note that only the teacher who submitted the work is permitted to pick up the work unless otherwise noted at drop off.

Each selected work being delivered needs to have the following label attached to it:

Please duplicate and attach to the base or back of the art work. PLEASE PRINT VERY CLEARLY!

NAME_____AGE_____GRADE_____
HOME ADDRESS_____
CITY_____STATE_____ZIP_____
PARENTS NAMES_____PHONE_____
SCHOOL_____SCHOOL PHONE_____
SCHOOL ADDRESS_____
TITLE of ARTWORK_____MEDIUM_____

Art Teacher's name and e-mail address:_____
Who will be picking up the work?_____

Disclaimer: The Department of Art and Design is not responsible for damage to works submitted, and reserves the right to refuse to display any work deemed inappropriate for any reason. All decisions made by jurors are final.

For more information about this event and the "Converse Emerging Young Artists Day" at Converse University, e-mail or call: Sarah Murphy, MFA, Coordinator of the Milliken Gallery and Adjunct Instructor of Art, Sarah.murphy@converse.edu, phone: 508-954-9349