



## The Annual Convention Art Exhibit and Contest

The Arc of Illinois hosts an Art Exhibit and Contest during the Annual Convention, which will be hybrid this year with both virtual and in-person attendees. The Art Exhibit will be displayed:

- **Virtually** on the Annual Convention microsite, Wednesday, April 22 through Thursday, April 30, 2026
- **In-person** at the Marriott, Bloomington, Wednesday, April 22 through Thursday, April 30, 2026

Artists must submit a photo of their artwork for the virtual exhibit and can display it in person at the Convention, though in-person display is optional. Listed below are the details for the Art Exhibit and Contest. Full contest rules will be sent after submission.

- The artwork must be an original 2D piece created by individuals or groups with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities.
- If displayed in person, the artwork must be mounted on a firm, rigid surface for easy placement on an easel or table.
- Each artist or group may submit only one piece.
- Artists have the option to donate their original artwork to The Arc of Illinois Silent Auction.
- Every artist will receive a certificate and an honorable mention ribbon. Judging for first, second, and third place will take place from April 22 to April 30, with the top three winners receiving ribbons.
- Please complete the form below and submit it to The Arc of Illinois, 7550 183rd Street, Tinley Park, IL 60477, by fax at 815-464-5292, or by email to [Kim@thearcofil.org](mailto:Kim@thearcofil.org).
- Email a picture of your artwork (jpg or png file) to [Kim@thearcofil.org](mailto:Kim@thearcofil.org) by **March 27, 2026**.

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Artist Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (to send certificate): \_\_\_\_\_

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Dimensions of artwork: Width \_\_\_\_\_ Length \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to donate my work to The Arc of Illinois for the Silent Auction

I will display my artwork in person. It can be mailed to The Arc of Illinois or brought to the Annual Convention by 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 29. All artwork must be picked up by 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 30. If you're unable to pick up your artwork, please make alternate arrangements or consider donating it.