MID-VALLEY
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
FIFTH
SEASON

Art Contest Instructions

Inspiration

The contest is inspired by 100 Items, the iconic public art installation designed by local artist team Tooza Design located at the theater. The artwork brings together 100 distinct elements that celebrate the local history, culture, and people of Salt Lake County, including 25 custom steel "fins" shaped to match the theater's exterior architectural fins, 25 historical illustrations, 25 colorful bands representing the performing arts, and 25 reflective bands. Together, these pieces form a giant visual puzzle that honors our past and looks toward the future.

To celebrate this special anniversary, we are inviting you to design your own "fin" using colors, symbols, and shapes to tell your unique story. Artists are encouraged to draw inspiration from the arts, culture, community, and the Mid-Valley Performing Arts Center.

When designing your fin, reflect on:

- **Pride:** ***What is something you are proud of?***
- **Community:** ***What do you love about your community?***
- **Future:** ***What do you hope for in the future?***

Create

Please use the front of this template to create your "fin." Designs must maintain the core shape of the fin. 3D elements built directly onto the paper template are welcome. Use your imagination as you design: you can use paint, markers, colored pencils, crayons, graphite, collage, really, anything goes!

Contest Details & Age Categories

This is a juried art contest evaluated on two main criteria: Creativity and Connection to the Theme.

- Kids: Ages 5–11
- Teens: Ages 12–17
- Adults: Ages 18–64
- Seniors: Ages 65+
- Special Recognition Awards: Best in Show, Venue Manager's Choice, and Creator's Choice

Submission Guidelines

- Submissions will be accepted through **November 30, 2026**.
- Please ensure all artwork is completely dry and ready to be framed.
- Please don't cut your fin! It must be submitted on the template

How to Submit:

1. In person: Bring completed artwork to the ArtTix area in the Mid-Valley Performing Arts Center lobby and drop it in the designated submission box.
2. By mail: send completed artwork to **Mid-Valley Performing Arts Center Art Contest, 2525 Taylorsville Blvd., Taylorsville, UT, 84129.**

Exhibition & Opening Reception

Selected pieces will be framed and exhibited in the theater's lobby from **February 25 through May 3, 2027.**

- Opening Reception: Join us for a celebratory reception on **February 25, 2027**, to honor our community artists and reveal contest winners.
- Artwork Retrieval: Submitted artwork will be available for pickup after the exhibit on May 3 and May 4, 2027.

  Please note: Any artwork not picked up by 5 pm May 4 will be disposed of.

Contact:

If you have any questions, please contact Cami Munk via email cmunk@saltlakecountyarts.org.

Artist Information

Name: _____

Email or Phone: _____

Age Category – Please circle one

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