



## **Off the Wall #19** **High School Art Competition**

Sponsored by Lockheed Martin and presented by ARTfactory.

### **Exhibit Dates:**

December 21-January 30, 2023

### **Open House/Awards Ceremony:**

Saturday, January 7, 2-4 pm  
(Snow Date: January 14)

### **Submission Deadline:**

**Sunday, November 20 by 5 pm**  
(all categories)

### **Notice of Acceptance:**

November 22 by 6 pm (via email)

### **Artwork Delivery Dates:**

**\*Delivery will occur during the week of December 5.**

(\*Exact dates and times will be sent to all accepted student artists via confirmation email. Students are responsible for delivering their art to ARTfactory – 9419 Battle St, Manassas, VA 20110.)

### **What is “Off the Wall”?**

The highly anticipated Off the Wall competition returns for its *19th year!* Each year the area high school students are invited to share their talent by participating in a high school art exhibit and competition sponsored by Lockheed Martin. The competition encourages student expression and creativity in a professional setting.

The exhibit includes student work in the following categories: **Art & Technology, Painting/Drawing, Poetry, Wearable Art**, and our newest category: **Photography!** Each category is adjudicated by a professional in the field.

### **Who is eligible to enter?**

All students grades 9-12 who are currently enrolled in public, private or home schools in the City of Manassas, Manassas Park, & Prince William County are eligible to participate.

## **ENTRY SPECIFICATIONS PER CATEGORY**

### **Art & Technology:**

ie: 3-d printing/digital designs - 2-d digital designs (primarily created with computer software) are included in this category. Work must be printed and framed to hang on gallery walls **or** ARTfactory can provide gallery pedestals for display if the work is standalone sculptural (*contact [jexum@VirginiaARTfactory](mailto:jexum@VirginiaARTfactory) if pedestal is required for display*). Entries must be submitted in .jpg format with a recommended resolution of 300 dpi.

### **Photography:**

Photos from mobile device cameras are eligible. Minor digital manipulation or alteration of content is permitted; however, please note: If the *majority* of the photograph is heavily manipulated/enhanced with software, your submission *may* be more appropriate for the Art & Tech. category. We recommend using a resolution of 300 dpi .jpg format to ensure the photograph is not grainy.

### **Painting/Drawing:**

Create an original painting/drawing using acrylic, watercolor, tempera, oil, pastel chalk, charcoal, colored pencils, graphite, etc. (or any combination of these) on a surface of your choosing (keep in mind all works must be framed). All paintings and drawings

must be original artwork.  
Painting/Drawing pieces will be submitted electronically as high quality photographs, in .jpg format, of the original artwork. Images should show only the artwork, not any mats or frames. Note: Mixed media works are included in this category.

### **Poetry**

Enter a one-page poem and within the structure of the poem include the phrase:

*When Poets Go Silent*

Submission idea: Upload a video or audio clip of your poetry recitation for additional impact.

\*Please note: Students can now submit to this category via Dropbox. See "Submission Instructions" for more info. *The 1<sup>st</sup> place poetry winner will be asked to recite their poem at the Open House on Jan. 7.*

FYI - "Poetry Out Loud" will be held virtually this year. Visit [http://www.arts.virginia.gov/Initiatives\\_POL.html](http://www.arts.virginia.gov/Initiatives_POL.html) for more info.

### **Wearable Art**

Make something different in 3-D! You'll get to show off during the "Off the Wall" Open House at ARTfactory, January 7, 2023. This category is judged on site.

Contest rules for wearable "art":

- make something original that can actually be worn, either you or your own selected model will wear the art for judging purposes at the "Off the Wall" Open House.

- use a layer of clothing underneath to build your art, around or attached, and be able to easily get in and out of it. Test what works: shorts and a loose top, a jumpsuit, short dress or tights and a top.

- use at least 50% recycled materials;

You may not want to wear your wearable art traveling between your home and our venue, so think about this in planning your construction!

Show up 2:15 pm at the "Off the Wall" Open House. You can wear or bring your wearable art with you and we will allow you a private space on our second floor to change.

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## **SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS**

ALL online entries due by  
**Sunday, November 20**  
(all categories).

**\*Please send your entries via DROPBOX.\***

(Two entries per student allowed)

Click this [link](http://tinyurl.com/OTWSubmit19) to upload your folder:

**\*Instructions for Dropbox:**

**1. Create a folder on your computer.**  
Folder should be named: ARTIST NAME\_High School  
example: EMILY SMITH\_Osborn HS

**2. Your folder should include the following files:**

- Clear images of your artwork
- [Student Entry Form](#)  
(journal entry required for all participants)
- [Exhibit Release Form](#)
- [Artist Contract](#)

**3. Upload your entire folder to the [OTW #19 Dropbox Folder](#).**

**\*Submission Note:**

**For Poetry participants**, please upload all of the required docs listed above, in addition to your poem (PDF/Word Doc format). If you created a video/audio file of your poetry recitation, please include that file in your folder as well. Your journal entry should describe the inspiration behind your poem, and how you interpreted the prompt (*When Poets Go Silent*).

**For Wearable Art participants**, please upload all of the required docs listed above, in addition to any available images of the *current* progress (if you do not have any available yet, that is ok as the category is judged on site). Your journal entry should describe the design, the inspiration behind the design, the materials, etc.

**Additional Exhibit Notes:**

At the closing of the exhibit on Jan. 30, some or all of the *Off the Wall #19* artwork will travel to Lockheed Martin's Manassas location for a month long exhibition. **\*It is optional to participate in the traveling exhibition.**

**Preparing your artwork**

- *DO NOT enter artwork needed for college/Governor's School adjudication.*
- NO POSTER FRAMES/NO SAWTOOTH HANGERS ALLOWED. **Please review the [framing guidelines document](#).** This document will be sent out again via email to all participating artists after the deadline. **Works that are not framed appropriately could be excluded from the exhibit.**

**Questions?**

Contact Gallery Director,  
Jordan Exum

[jexum@VirginiaARTfactory.org](mailto:jexum@VirginiaARTfactory.org)

or call 703-330-2787.

**ARTfactory Student Entry Form**

*Off the Wall #19*

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Art Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Art Teacher Contact Info \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Artwork \_\_\_\_\_ Date created \_\_\_\_\_

Category \_\_\_\_\_

Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Dimensions (approximate) \_\_\_\_\_

Journal Statement

Please use the section below to submit your required journal statement/paragraph. Each submission should be accompanied by a journal statement that includes biographical information. Please tell us about yourself, your artwork, and your process when creating your piece.

Recommended length: At least 3 sentences long but no longer than 5-6 sentences.

**This form must accompany ALL student artwork loaned for display.**



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Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Art Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Artwork & Medium \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Student

I give permission for my child's artwork to be exhibited in "Off the Wall" #19 at **ARTfactory** in Manassas from December 21 – January 30, 2023.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

I give permission for my child's artwork to be exhibited **virtually** in "Off the Wall" #19 on **ARTfactory's website** ([VirginiaARTfactory.org/manassas-art-gallery](http://VirginiaARTfactory.org/manassas-art-gallery)) from December 21-January 30, 2023.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

My permission is also granted if my child's artwork is selected to travel to: **Lockheed Martin** (9255 Wellington Road, Manassas) for continuing exhibition. Note: The traveling exhibit is optional.

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## ARTfactory Artist Contract

### *Off the Wall #19*

**Contract for:** Off the Wall (Enter artist name here) .

Center for the Arts of Greater Manassas/Prince William County, d/b/a ARTfactory (herein-after ARTfactory) is pleased to partner with you on the upcoming/current exhibition titled *Off the Wall* (herein-after “Exhibit”). The dates for the Exhibit are **December 21-January 30, 2023.** The Exhibit will be installed in the Caton Merchant Family Gallery at the ARTfactory.

Entering this agreement allows ARTfactory to retain your artwork for these specified dates with no allowances for removal unless mutually agreed upon by the artist and ARTfactory in writing.

ARTfactory uses precautions in handling and securing artwork. Exhibiting artist agrees the ARTfactory is not liable for any damages due to accidental fire, flood, theft, vandalism or other unforeseen incidents. *Additionally, Exhibiting Artist also understands and agrees that Caton Merchant Family Gallery at the ARTfactory is a public space, and as such the ARTfactory cannot ensure artwork is not exposed to contaminants, including pathogens, which patrons may bring into the ARTfactory on or about their persons. The ARTfactory will comply with rules and guidance issued by the Commonwealth of Virginia and the Center for Disease Control with respect to any public health emergency.*

Exhibitor’s signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_.

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