

# OIL PAINTERS OF AMERICA'S 4TH ANNUAL STUDENT ART COMPETITION

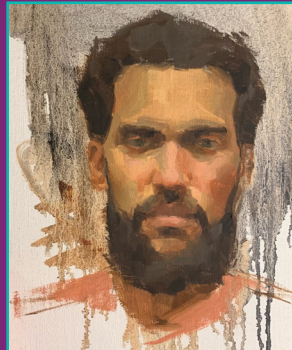
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**SUBMISSIONS: NOV. 1 - FEB. 2**



*Autumn Harvest* by Emily Hutton  
Honorable Mention 2023



*Portrait of Chawn* by Ava (Xiaosy) Chen -  
Honorable Mention 2023



*Autumn Harvest* by Eliza Hoffman  
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# WITH OVER 3,500 ARTISTS,

# ENTER NOW!

Oil Painters of America is one of today's leading professional art organizations in North America. OPA is pleased to announce its fourth Annual Student Art Competition open to all high school and collegiate level students living in North America.

OPA's goal is to raise awareness of representational art and provide an opportunity for students to learn more about this beautiful art form.

## Two Divisions for Awards

Top 3 award winners will be invited to exhibit at OPA's 2024 National Show  
**High School Division – ages 14 to 18 years**

- First Place: \$500 cash/\$500 Blick Gift Certificate
- Second Place: \$250 cash/\$250 Blick Gift Certificate
- Third Place: \$100 cash/\$100 Blick Gift Certificate

**College Division – ages 19 to 23 years**

- First Place: \$500 cash/\$500 Blick Gift Certificate
  - Second Place: \$250 cash/\$250 Blick Gift Certificate
  - Third Place: \$100 cash/\$100 Blick Gift Certificate
- and 3 Honorable Mention Awards in each division will receive a \$50 Blick Gift Certificate

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**WHO** Students between the ages of 14 and 23 are invited to submit up to three oil paintings for award consideration. Students are encouraged to work under the direction of a teacher or faculty member although it is not required. It is free to enter.

**WHAT** Paintings must be created in oils in the representational style. This includes a broad spectrum of styles ranging from realistic to impressionist or your own style, as long as it is representational. Both plein air and/or studio work are acceptable. All submissions will be displayed online with the artist's name, painting title & size, school name and age on OPA's website. **All entries must depict family-friendly subject matter (any portrayals of graphic nudity, violence, or other non-family-friendly subject matter will not be accepted).**



Bohemian Beauty by Samuel Hoskins - First Place 2023



Mario by Mia Paz - Second Place 2023



Golden Guise by May Zheng - Fourth Place 2023



Deus Meus est Aequalis by Nicole Lockley - Third Place 2023



Iris Opera by Tamsen Taves - Fifth Place 2023

**WHERE** The top three award winners in each division will be invited to exhibit their work in conjunction with OPA's 33rd National Exhibition of Traditional Oils to be held at Mark Arts in Wichita, KS, April 3 – May 31, 2024.

**Note,** winners who elect to exhibit their artwork will be responsible for shipping to and from the exhibition. All paintings must be framed and wired for hanging.

**WHEN** Student submissions will be accepted online through OPA's website from November 1 through February 2, 2024. Winners will be notified of the competition results directly by mid-February.

**Submission Fee: There are no entry fees. It is free to enter. Click to Enter or go to our homepage**

**New student members** must fill out the online student membership application in order to enter the Student Competition. **Membership is free to all students ages 14 – 23.**

**2023 Student Members** must renew their membership by logging into your account prior to entering the Student Competition. **Membership is free to all students ages 14 – 23.**

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