HOW TO DISPLAY VETERAN ARTWORK AT THE
ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL VA MEDICAL CENTER (RMRVAMC)

Applications are Due by October 11, 2019
Artwork Drop Off is on October 24 from 3:00pm - 6:00pm
(If you did not receive the application please contact us)

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES PRIOR TO SUBMITTING APPLICATION

Eligibility and Sales:

- Must be a Veteran receiving care from the VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System
- Application, release forms and a photo must be completed for each entry during each rotation. Applications for NVCAF will only be accepted in January and rules will be slightly adjusted. (See following page for details)
- You may display your work throughout the year, however a different piece will be displayed each rotation
- Artwork will be accepted and considered for display in the order they are received. Quantity of pieces accepted are limited based on size and number of pieces submitted. If not selected for current rotation, your application will be saved and reviewed during the following rotation series.
- Unless artwork sells, the Veteran consents the artwork will be displayed and will not be returned until the following rotation in approximately 4 months.
- Option for selling art is by discretion of the Veteran to include pricing. 100% of the purchase goes to the Veteran.
- Artwork is sold through the canteen and with the collaboration of the VFW, they will be helping with the exchange of art and money to the seller. Additional pieces may be accepted to replace sold work at that time. More information will be provided by VA staff as artwork is sold.

Artwork Restrictions:

- NO DONATIONS of artwork will be accepted, artwork will only be on display during specified timeframe
- NO weapons, drugs, sharp materials, sexual content, profane language, political, religious and/or violence will be accepted. This includes it being painted/created in the artwork. For safety reasons NO glass will be accepted on all fine art, however you may use Plexiglas. Exceptions can be made on 3D applied art with prior approval.
- All wall hanging art must have a wire hanger. No saw tooth or other type hangers are permitted . Wire hanger must be on artwork prior to drop off otherwise it will not be able to be installed. The Art Committee will not install wire hanger for you. Accommodations for certain types of art are possible with prior approval from art committee.
- No one Veteran can display more than 2 pieces of art at one time, with exception of Creative Arts Festival rotation
- Veteran may not apply for the same piece to displayed for more than one rotation unless approved by the VA art committee. Entries into the Creative Arts Festival are an exception.
- If you do not pick up your artwork within 7 days of the stated pick up date or make arrangements with the Art Committee, the artwork will become VA property and up to the discretion of RMRVAMC to dispose of as necessary
- 2-D fine art including frame cannot exceed: 5’ tall x 3’wide x 4” deep
- 3-D applied art cannot exceed 24” tall x 30” wide x 11” deep
- Weight limit: 50 lbs for 2-D fine art and 20 lbs for 3-D applied arts (Creative Arts Festival rules may differ)
- 3-D applied art includes sculpture, beadwork, woodwork, collages, model cars, etc.
- Artwork must follow all guidelines. VA Art Committee has the right to not accept artwork if piece does not meet requirements or has been deemed inappropriate or unacceptable to display at the RMRVAMC
To submit application, release form and photo of artwork:

1. Hand deliver to grey drop box in Voluntary Service Office time. (Bldg. G, enter door at north entrance)
2. Send via MyHealtheVet. Instructions provided in packet.
3. Mail to:
   Rocky Mountain Regional VA Medical Center
   Attn: Recreation Therapy #117
   1700 N. Wheeling St.
   Aurora, CO 80045

For patient privacy, applications cannot be accepted via email

If application and artwork is accepted you will receive a confirmation letter from the Art Committee. Once approved, drop off artwork on October 24 anytime between 3:00-6:00 in the RMRVAMC Auditorium. Artwork will be on display from October 24 – February 27.

Rotation Time Frames

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*Exact dates provided in application provided each rotation

National Veterans Creative Art Festival (NVCAF):

Artwork accepted during the January applications will be entered in the NVCAF and displayed March – June.

What is NVCAF? A VA Nationwide art competition where Veterans at their local VA’s compete locally in the divisions of Art, Music, Dance, Drama, and Creative Writing with multiple categories to enter. If a Veteran places first at the local level, they will advance to the National level competing with Veterans Nationwide. If a Veteran places first at National they receive a free trip to the festival located in a different city throughout the country each year.

NVCAF will have a different set of requirements as stated above - These requirements will be provided in January in the NVCAF application. Depending on space available, your art may be displayed without entering the competition, however competitor artist will have first priority. All other months of the year is open to all Veterans. Artwork that falls outside the VA guidelines but within the NVCAF guidelines will still be entered in the competition but will not be displayed. You do not have to physically attend the local competition or national festival to place.

To participate in NVCAF, request an Outpatient Recreation Therapy Consult from your Primary Care Provider (PCP) - This competition and festival is a therapeutic opportunity for Veterans and is coordinated with Recreation Therapy.

QUESTIONS CONTACT:

- RMRVAMC Art Committee at VHAECHRMRARTCOMMITTEE@va.gov
  - Do not provide any patient identifiers, such as your Last 4 of SSN or home address as this is not a secure email address. Only provide information relevant to your question or concern.

- Send message via MyHealtheVet. Instructions provided

- Call:
  - Sarah El Hage 720-723-3156 or 303-518-1382
  - Jessie Durham 720-723-6866 or 720-527-8066