

Dear Artist,

We invite you to participate in the 2026 **Walk in the Woods Art Fair** at Hawthorn Hollow Nature Sanctuary and Arboretum. The purpose of this show is the display and sale of high-quality fine arts. The artist exhibits are located along wooded trails and in the gardens of this beautiful nature sanctuary. We are located five miles east of I-94 on Highway 31 between Kenosha and Racine, Wisconsin.

Date/Hours: **Saturday September 12th, 2026**
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM, rain or shine.

Eligibility: This fair is open to professional artists and fine crafters. All work must be original in design and concept, and created by the applying artist. No items made from commercial kits, prefabricated forms, or molds may be displayed or sold. Mass produced and imported items are not allowed.

This is a juried show. If applying as a collaborative, all artists must be listed and juried. All artists are required to submit three photographs of their work and one photograph of their tent/display setup.

You will be notified by email of your acceptance status by Saturday, July 18th, 2026, and will receive more details and directions at that time. If your application is not accepted, your exhibition site fee will be returned to you at this time. Your photographs will also be returned at this time if you provided us with a large enough envelope to fit them in and sufficient postage.

Exhibits: Site size may vary, but most are 10' x 12', and all are outdoors on grass or wood chips. Additional sites are available if you would like more space. You may select a site preference on the Entry Form, which we will attempt to honor, if possible. We will have a crew and vehicles available to assist you with transporting your wares to and from your site, if needed. We strongly encourage you to set up on Friday, Sept. 11th, from 9 AM until 7 PM; gates close 6pm. Otherwise, you may set up after 6:30 AM Saturday.

Fees: \$135.00 per exhibition site (\$160.00 after June 30, 2026). There will be no refund after the application has been accepted. If a collaborative site is requested \$60.00 per additional artist is required. Checks will be cashed on receipt and refunds will be returned after jurying in July if not accepted.

Promotion: Extensive local and regional advertising through newspapers, various community and statewide publications, radio, social media, flyers and mailings, as well as the beautiful setting have attracted excellent crowds (3,000+) in past years. We strongly suggest artists promote themselves and the fair through social media.

Other Features: A raffle, live music and entertainment, and a variety of food and beverages will be offered throughout the grounds during the day.

Please complete the 2026 Entry Form and send it with your check and photographs prior to **June 30, 2026**, in order to avoid the additional fee.

Thank you, and we look forward to hearing from you!



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2026
WALK IN THE WOODS ART FAIR
Artist Entry Form

Artist's Name _____

Medium _____

Business/Studio/Name – as you would like it to appear in the Art Fair Program:

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

_____ **Please indicate number of sites requested.** (\$125 per site)

_____ **Yes**, I would like to participate in the raffle by donating a piece of my artwork.

Preference for site location, if known: _____

We cannot guarantee your preference.

When would you like to setup? (A link will be emailed prior to event to reserve a time block as well)

_____ Friday, Sep 11 8 am-12 pm _____ Friday, Sep 11 1 pm-6 pm _____ Sat, Sep 12 6 am-8:30 am

If you will not be setting up a tent (maximum 10' x 12') would you be interested in an irregular site location?

Please submit the following by June 30, 2026.

- **3 photographs of your work, plus 1 photograph of your tent/display set-up** for jury consideration. If collaborative, all artists must submit photos of their work. All submissions are juried.
- \$135.00 per requested vendor site (\$160.00 after June 30, 2026). If collaborative, add \$60.00 per additional artist. Checks payable to: Hawthorn Hollow

_____ Completed Entry Form

_____ Self-addressed, stamped envelope for return of photos, if desired.

Be sure the self-addressed, stamped envelope you include is large enough to fit your photos and has sufficient postage or your photos will not be returned!

Please send applications to: Hawthorn Hollow, 880 Green Bay Rd, Kenosha, WI 53144

The undersigned does hereby discharge Hawthorn Hollow Nature Sanctuary and Arboretum and all sponsoring organizations from any and all actions, suits, damages, claims, and demands whatsoever, in law or equity, for any loss or damage to the undersigned party's property, person, or helpers while under the possession, supervision, or auspices of the Hawthorn Hollow Art Fair, its agents, or representatives. The undersigned further grants permission for Hawthorn Hollow Nature Sanctuary & Arboretum to use any images submitted, as well as the undersigned's name and company name, in marketing, promotional, and advertising materials.

Signature _____ Date _____

Vendor Business Information

The Wisconsin Department of Revenue requires us to collect and report the following business information for all art fair vendors via form S-240.

For more information, please visit www.revenue.wi.gov/Pages/HTML/temevent.aspx.

Wisconsin Seller's Permit Number (15 digit number starting with 456-)

If none, please provide Exemption Code: _____

(If you do not have a Wisconsin seller permit number and claim sales as tax exempt, please provide the exemption code number).

- 1 - Exempt sales only or display only
- 2 - Multi-level marketing company pays sales tax
- 3 - Nonprofit occasional sales exemption
- 4 - Exempt occasional sales

Last 4 digits of Vendor Social Security Number: _____

Last 4 Digits of Federal Employee Identification Number (if applicable): _____