2014 Siglo de Oro Art Contest Call for Submissions

Please note: the rules and procedures have changed from previous years. See new rules below.

Chamizal National Memorial and Los Paisanos de El Chamizal invite all artists to submit their art to compete for prizes. The 2014 Siglo de Oro Art Contest is a juried contest open to all artists ages 18 and up. The winning work will be selected based on its relevance to Spain's Siglo de Oro period, originality, artistic execution, style, creativity, and overall visual impact.

Entry fee: $30.00 per entry; check/money order only, payable to: *Los Paisanos de El Chamizal*. See submission procedures below.

Prizes: $1000 First Place, $600 Second Place, and $400 Third Place.

All artwork entered will be displayed at Chamizal National Memorial and on its website as well as this website upon receipt of a completed Chamizal National Memorial Gallery Exhibit Agreement. Only the First Place winner will be considered for the Festival's promotional poster and program cover. A number of posters will be presented to the First Place winner. In addition to the prize money and above benefits, Chamizal National Memorial will host a private exhibit of this and other works by the First Place winner in one of its galleries if the winning artist is interested in doing so.

The original art remains the property of the artist or owner. Chamizal National Memorial does allow artists to sell their work while on display in its galleries. The contest sponsors are not obligated to purchase the art or offer any compensation other than the prize money. Contest sponsors reserve the right to refuse any work deemed inappropriate for the general public and outside the scope of this contest.

Contest Rules:

- The work must be an original concept that reflects the Spanish Siglo de Oro era with special emphasis on its dramatic arts and on international cooperation and friendship, the mission of Chamizal National Memorial.
- Artwork must be the original, created by the competing artist.
- Any reinterpretation of previous entries will not be accepted. Previous winners may be viewed on http://www.nps.gov/imr/photosmultimedia/photogallery.htm?id=9C545055-155D-451F-67798D3928B9DB95.
- Artist must be 18 years or older.
- Competition is for artwork (illustration) only. The competition is not a poster design contest.
- The work must be reproducible as a two-dimensional image. The art image may be cropped at the poster designer's discretion to best enhance its design and impact. Poster will be printed in four-color process only.
- Artist must agree to the contest rules. Contestant's signed payment check ($30 per entry) represents this agreement.
- All entries to be displayed must be framed and ready to hang when delivered to the Memorial. Delivery of original artwork will be scheduled at a later date by Memorial staff and must be accompanied by a completed, signed Exhibit Agreement. A copy of the Agreement packet can be found at http://www.nps.gov/cham/historyculture/chamizal-national-memorial-galleries.htm.
- All entries must be received no later than December 16, 2013.

Submission procedures:

Entries may be sumitted as an unaltered (except for clarity) digital image of the artwork either as a jpeg or png file via one of the following: Electronically by email to Victor Mireles at info@los-paisanos-chamizal.com or saved on a CD, DVD, or flashdrive (thumbdrive) and submitted by hand delivery, postal service or shipped.

Payment **cannot** be sent electronically. Check or money order made payable to Los Paisanos de El Chamizal must be delivered or mailed to Los Paisanos de El Chamizal, 6006 N. Mesa (Coronado Tower), Ste. 1000, El Paso, Texas 79912.

Each entry must be accompanied by your entry fee and the following information:

- Your name, address, city/state/zip, and contact information: email address, daytime phone and cell phone
- A description of the artwork
- Art medium used
- Size dimensions of each piece
- Whether or not you are interested in displaying and/or selling your submission(s) as part of the Memorial's Annual Siglo de Oro Festival Art Exhibit. If you are interested in selling your artwork, please also include the sales price; artists receive 60% of the listed sales price, so please price your work accordingly. For questions or more information about this, please refer to the Exhibit packet or contact Anne Doherty-Stephan at the Memorial either via email at Anne_Doherty-Stephan@nps.gov or phone at 915-532-7273 x124.