



EMERGING ARTISTS

Purpose of the Emerging Artist Program: To foster and highlight the next generation of exhibiting artists by creating an opportunity for **NEW** artists to participate in a fine art show. New Artists are defined as currently enrolled in or recently graduated (within 2 years) from a Michigan university, college or art school. Consideration will also be given to artists without formal training who have never exhibited in a fine art show/festival.

- Emerging artists must not have exhibited at a fine art fair prior to applying to or participating in this event – and must sign an affidavit, confirming this status.
- Emerging artists can be affiliated with a college level art program, or recently graduated from a college level art program or may be self-taught. This program is meant to foster the next generation of exhibiting artists by creating an opportunity for **NEW** artists to participate in a Fine Art show.
- Emerging Artists must participate in the jury process by submitting 5 images of their work (no booth image is required. Please submit a 5th image of your work, in lieu of a booth image).
- Emerging Artists must also send an artist statement describing their work and their background in the arts to info@elartfest.com.
- Jury fees are the same as regular exhibiting artists – booth fees are waived for those Emerging artists chosen to attend through the jury process – as a donation from the Festival Board of Directors.