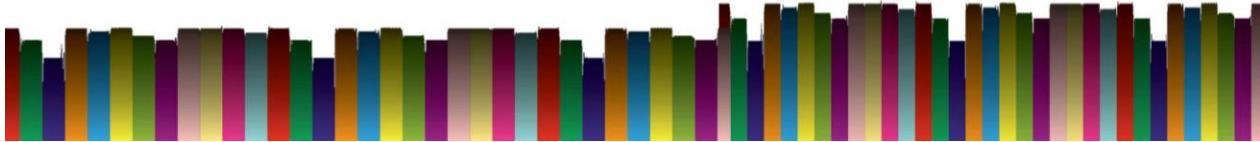




Five Civilized Tribes Museum
1101 Honor Heights Drive
Muskogee, OK 74401



2026 STUDENT ART SHOW





January 2, 2026

Dear Art Instructor,

The Five Civilized Tribes Museum's Student Art Show is coming in March, so it is time to challenge your students that are members of one of the Five Civilized Tribes - Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Muscogee and Seminole - to enter the show.

This year there will be three categories in the show: painting/drawing, sculpture & woodcarving and cultural arts. Cultural Arts includes basketry (commercial or traditional reed), pottery (commercial or hand dug clay), textiles, beadwork, knapping & jewelry. **The subject matter as always must reflect the culture and/or history of at least one of the Five Civilized Tribes.**

Forms and a short summary about each of the Five Tribes is also available on our website 5tribes.org I hope this will be helpful in guiding your students on the subject of the culture and traditions of each of the tribes.

The deadline for this year's entries is **Friday, February 20, 2026 by 4:00PM. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS FOR MISSED DEADLINES.** This will give us time to have the show judged, print the programs and prepare for the reception on Saturday, March 7, 2026, 2:00-4:00 PM, in the Museum Art Gallery.

Happy Creating! If you have any questions, please feel free to call the office or e-mail us. Our telephone number is 918-683-1701; our e-mail address is 5tribesassistant@sbcglobal.net

Sincerely,

Sean Barney
Executive Director
Five Civilized Tribes Museum

TEACHER INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Make 1 copy of the entry form for each student.
2. Have the student complete the entire entry form.
3. Make a copy of the students Tribal Membership or CDIB card.
4. Attach the copy of the CDIB /Tribal Membership card to the entry form.
5. DO NOT CUT.
6. Ensure all areas are completed
7. Make a copy of the “Item Label Form”

COPY THIS FORM FOR EACH STUDENT
Five Civilized Tribes Museum Entry Form
2026 Student Art Show

Have each student complete this form. - Please Print - Make a copy for your records

SCHOOL INFORMATION:		
School Name: _____	Grade: _____	
School Address: _____		
School City/Zip: _____		
Teachers Email: _____		
School Phone# _____	Teacher's Name: _____	
STUDENT INFORMATION:		
Student's Last Name: _____	First Name: _____	
Students Mailing Address: _____		
City/Zip: _____	Student's Email: _____	
Phone #: _____		
Tribe: <input type="checkbox"/> Cherokee <input type="checkbox"/> Choctaw <input type="checkbox"/> Chickasaw <input type="checkbox"/> Muscogee <input type="checkbox"/> Seminole		
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Artist Signature: _____		
ENTRY #1 DO NOT CUT	ENTRY #2 DO NOT CUT	ENTRY #3 DO NOT CUT
TITLE: _____	TITLE: _____	TITLE: _____
MEDIUM: _____	MEDIUM: _____	MEDIUM: _____
PRICE \$ _____ .00 <i>All Items MUST be for sale</i>	PRICE \$ _____ .00 <i>All Items MUST be for sale</i>	PRICE \$ _____ .00 <i>All Items MUST be for sale</i>
Category	Category	Category
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Please Check Only One Category for Each Entry		Please Check Only One Category for Each Entry
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STUDENT INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Have each student complete 1 form including all entered items.
2. Cut the labels and attach to the entry items.
3. Ensure both forms are complete and legible.
4. Ensure a label is attached to each entry item.

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Five Civilized Tribes Museum
2026 Student Art Show Item Label Form


Cut these labels out and attach to each entry prior to submitting them for the show

Entry #1	
SCHOOL NAME: _____	STUDENT'S GRADE: _____
STUDENT'S NAME: _____	
TITLE: _____	
MEDIUM: _____	
PRICE \$ _____ .00	CATEGORY: <input type="checkbox"/> Painting/Drawing <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Arts <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture/Woodcarving
TRIBE: <input type="checkbox"/> Cherokee <input type="checkbox"/> Choctaw <input type="checkbox"/> Chickasaw <input type="checkbox"/> Muscogee <input type="checkbox"/> Seminole	Please Check Only One Category for Each Entry
Entry #2	
SCHOOL NAME: _____	STUDENT'S GRADE: _____
STUDENT'S NAME: _____	
TITLE: _____	
MEDIUM: _____	
PRICE \$ _____ .00	CATEGORY: <input type="checkbox"/> Painting/Drawing <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Arts <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture/Woodcarving
TRIBE: <input type="checkbox"/> Cherokee <input type="checkbox"/> Choctaw <input type="checkbox"/> Chickasaw <input type="checkbox"/> Muscogee <input type="checkbox"/> Seminole	Please Check Only One Category for Each Entry
Entry #3	
SCHOOL NAME: _____	STUDENT'S GRADE: _____
STUDENT'S NAME: _____	
TITLE: _____	
MEDIUM: _____	
PRICE \$ _____ .00	CATEGORY: <input type="checkbox"/> Painting/Drawing <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Arts <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture/Woodcarving
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Deliver all items to:
 1101 Honor Heights Drive
 Muskogee OK 74401
 Prior to **February 20, 2026 – 4:00pm**



FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES MUSEUM 2026 STUDENT ART SHOW REQUIREMENTS AND RULES



- ALL PAPERWORK MUST BE COMPLETED IN IT'S ENTIRETY UPON SUBMISSION.** Submissions with incomplete/illegible paperwork will be disqualified.
- ANY INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. CDIB OR TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP CARDS MUST ACCOMPANY THE ENTRY FORM and BE ATTACHED WITH APPLICATION.CDIB/TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP CARDS CANNOT BE EMAILED AT A LATER DATE.**
- Competition open to 7th - 12th Grade students who are a member of one of the Five Civilized Tribes; Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Muscogee or Seminole.
- ALL Entries MUST BE FOR SALE** – Prices outside the norm will be reevaluated by the museum staff and Judges.
- Up to 3 entries per artist

ENTRY DEADLINE:

4:00 PM Friday, February 20, 2026 – NO EXCEPTIONS

****Work must have been completed THIS CURRENT school year.****

(If a piece has been shown in a previous Five Civilized Tribes Museum Student Art Show, it will be disqualified)

AWARDS:

It is the museum's policy **not** to release the names of those who have placed in the show prior to the reception.

- THE TOOTER ARRINGTON MEMORIAL AWARD - **BEST IN SHOW** - \$100.00
- THE FRANCES ROSSER BROWN HERITAGE AWARD - **THE ENTRY THAT BEST PORTRAYS THE HISTORY OR CULTURE OF THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES** - \$100.00
- The Florence Hart McInturff Award - **THE ENTRY THAT BEST PORTRAYS THE HISTORY OR CULTURE OF THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES** - \$100.00
- THE WILLARD STONE MEMORIAL AWARD - **BEST IN SCULPTURE OR WOODCARVING** - \$75.00
- THE PAINTING/DRAWING CATEGORY, FOR EACH OF THE GRADES 7-12: 1st place - \$50.00, 2nd place - \$30.00 and 3rd place - \$20.00
- IN THE SCULPTURE/WOODCARVING CATEGORY, FOR EACH OF THE GRADES 7-12: 1st place - \$50.00, 2nd place - \$30.00 and 3rd place - \$20.00
- IN THE CULTURAL ARTS CATEGORY, FOR EACH OF THE GRADES 7-12: 1st place - \$50.00, 2nd place - \$30.00 and 3rd place - \$20.00
- HONORABLE MENTIONS AWARDED FOR EACH GRADE, IN EACH CATEGORY, AS WARRANTED.

EXHIBITION: Artwork will be on display in the Museum Art Gallery **March 7, 2026** through **March 31, 2026**.
Artwork may not be retrieved prior to March 31, 2026

MUSEUM HOURS: Monday - Friday, 10-5; Saturday, 10-2, Closed on Sunday
Admission is \$6.00 Adults, \$5.00 Senior/Military and \$3.00 Students. Group rates available for school tours.

AWARDS PRESENTATION:

A reception honoring all entrants, their families, friends, teachers and special guests will be held at the Museum on **Saturday, March 7, 2026 from 2-4 p.m.**

PUBLICITY: We strongly urge all participants, art teachers and families to attend the awards ceremony at No Cost. The reception is open to the public and free of charge.

The Museum reserves the right to photograph and reproduce any work in the competition for publicity or permanent file

MEDIA

Painting/Drawing/Graphics	Cultural Arts	Sculpture/Woodcarving
All media are accepted, including oil, acrylic, watercolor, gouache, tempera, pen and ink and pencil, digital and photography.	Basketry (commercial or traditional reed), pottery (commercial or hand dug clay), textiles, beadwork, knapping, jewelry, bows, stickball sticks & balls, and gigs.	Wood, soap and stone, etc... will be accepted for carving. Clay, papier-mâché and bronze will be accepted for sculpture.

TWO DIMENSIONAL ART:

1. Must be matted unless on canvas;
2. Canvas work must be on stretchers with attached hanger or wire.
3. Artwork must be securely attached to the mat; must look neat.
4. The Museum recommends shrink-wrapping.
5. **NO FRAMES.**

SUBJECT MATTER:

1. The artwork must represent the culture, history, and/or heritage of one of the Five Civilized Tribes (Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Muscogee (Creek), and Seminole).
2. Writings about each tribe's removal to Indian Territory are available on our website – 5tribes.org, and should be photocopied and given to each eligible Student who wishes to participate.
3. **ENTRIES NOT PERTAINING TO THIS SUBJECT MATTER WILL NOT BE JUDGED.**
4. The five tribes did not live in teepees or wear Northern Plains head dresses so; please, no teepees or Northern Plains head dresses.

IDENTIFICATION:

Two sets of entry labels are enclosed.

1. The first must be completed and submitted with entry for the Museum files. Please attach student's photocopy of tribal card to the first form.
2. **The second must be completely filled out and attached to each entry.**

LEGENDS:

Please encourage the students to write an interpretive legend to go along with their art.

SHIPPING: Artwork must be received by **Friday, February 20, 2026 – NO EXCEPTIONS** and must be shipped prepaid. All entries must be picked up within one week of show closing. If entries are to be returned by mail - return postage must be prepaid at the time of the entry.

SALES OF ENTRIES:

1. Prices are to be set by the artist.
2. **ALL ENTRIES** must be for sale.
3. If prices are set outside the norm or set to avoid a sale - The Museum reserves the right to set a price on the piece.

COMMISSION ON SALES:

1. A 10% commission will be charged on each sale.
2. A check will be mailed directly to the artists for the sale of their work.
3. **BE SURE TO INCLUDE THE ARTISTS FULL NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS ON EACH ENTRY.**
4. Checks will not be given to teachers, sponsors, etc.

LIABILITY:

The Five Civilized Tribes Museum will not be responsible for any damage, loss or deterioration of any entry while in transit to or from the museum or during the time it is in the museum's possession. However, all possible care will be given to the art. The Museum does not take out liability insurance on the entered work.

PLEASE DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS TO:

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SCHOOL INFORMATION:

School Name: _____ Grade: _____

School Address: _____

School City/St/Zip: _____

Teachers Email: _____

School Phone # _____ Teacher's Name: _____

STUDENT INFORMATION:

Student's Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Students Mailing Address: _____

City/ST/Zip: _____ Student's Email: _____

Phone #: _____

Tribe: _____

Cherokee Choctaw Chickasaw Muscogee Seminole

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Artist Signature

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