

LAKE HOUSTON AREA ARTISTS DIVISIONS AND CATEGORIES

SELECTING AN ARTIST DIVISION:

There are five (5) Artist Divisions.

These Artist Divisions are separated by the following primary skill levels:

- I. **Professional** – Artist's choice for this designation
- II. **Semi-Professional** - Artist's choice to move up
- III. **Non-Professional** - Artist's choice to move up
- IV. **Adult Student** – Adult who has created art work for less than three years either through self-study or under the direction of an art teacher. The teacher may give any and all verbal assistance needed; however, the teacher **MAY NOT PHYSICALLY WORK ON** the artwork to be entered in a show. After two (2) years of College Art (4 art courses) or three (3) years as an Adult Student, any LSAG member shall enter the Non-Professional Division.
- V. **School Student** - Any school student, Elementary, Middle or High School.

SELECTING A CATEGORY:

There are ten (10) Art Categories which are generally separated by art types and medium used.

The following guidelines were written to assist artists in choosing the appropriate Art Category for their artwork:

- Category A: Oil/Acrylic Painting** – oil paintings and acrylic paintings painted like an oil painting
- Category B: Watercolor/Acrylic Painting** – watercolor and acrylic paintings applied with water giving the appearance of a watercolor painting
- Category C: Pastels** – including pastels applied over a watercolor under painting
- Category D: Drawing** – including Sumi-e and oriental brush painting
- Category E: Mixed Media** – artwork displaying two or more types of media, including but not limited to collage, encaustic painting and other mixed media
- Category F: Photography** – digital or film photography minimally manipulated or altered using technology
- Category G: Digital Art** – all forms of digital art including photography that has been greatly manipulated or altered using technology
- Category H: Abstract/ Experimental/Non-Objective Art** – in any medium
- Category I: Sculpture** – 3-D forms in various media, including sculptures in relief
- Category J: Studio Fine Crafts** – original fine crafts created in a studio environment including glass blowing, stained glass, printmaking, porcelain, woodwork, jewelry, mosaic, weaving, fiber art, metal work, and other finely crafted items

If you are unsure of which Division or Category to pick, ask the Show Chairs. They can give you advice to help select the best option.