

# SCHWA & THE SHOW

## CALL FOR ENTRIES



**Entries due: August 15, 2024**  
**Exhibition : October 4-24, 2024**  
**Juror: Austin Sheppard**

**Emerge Gallery & Art Center**  
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## Introduction

The Schwa Show is a national juried competition recognizing excellence in fine arts and crafts.

## Eligibility

This exhibition is open to artists in any media and subject matter. Artists must be age 18 and up. All work must have been completed in the past 3 years and never previously exhibited at Emerge Gallery. All pieces must fit through our exterior door (36" x 80"). Work must be available for entire exhibition. Video entries are accepted, but special equipment must be provided. Work must be ready to hang or will not be eligible.

## Entries and Fees

All entries are to be submitted digitally through [www.callforentry.org](http://www.callforentry.org) (CaFÉ). Each artist may submit up to 5 entries. Artists are required to submit 3 entries for a fee of \$20, with the option to submit 2 additional entries at \$5 each. There is a limit of 5 entries per artist.

Eligibility requirements and full details on how to submit entries can be found at [emergegallery.com/artists/artist-opportunities](http://emergegallery.com/artists/artist-opportunities).

Application deadline is 11:59pm MDT on August 15, 2024. Notifications will be emailed on August 31, 2024.

Accepted work sent via shipping must be received by Wednesday, September 25 between 10:00am - 8:00pm. Hand delivered work must be received between Thursday, September 26 10:00am - 8:00pm and Saturday, September 28 between 10:00am - 3:00pm, unless other arrangements have been made.

Accepted work must be picked up on either Friday, October 25 between 10:00am - 8:00pm or Saturday, October 26 between 10:00am - 3:00pm or must have a prepaid mailing label for return shipping. Prepaid labels are required. Work left after the pick-up date will become property of Emerge Gallery unless other arrangements are made.

## Commission

It is assumed that all work is for sale unless noted with an insurance value. Emerge will retain a 30% commission, if work is sold. If work is not for sale, an insurance value must be given and NFS stated, or work will not be insured. Payment will be mailed within 45 days of the end of the exhibition.

## Insurance and Liability

Emerge Gallery will provide insurance for accepted work during the exhibition dates only. Work will not be insured after Saturday, October 26, 2024. Work will be insured only for the artist's portion of the sales price, 70% of the sales price, and maximum of \$5,000. Insurance value must be a realistic value and may be questioned. Proof of similar sales will be requested, if necessary.

Consent to reproduce for publicity, catalog, or entry constitutes agreement to all conditions.

## Exhibition Dates

October 4-24, 2024. The opening reception will be held on Friday, October 4, from 5:00pm - 8:00pm.

## Awards

There will be the following cash awards:  
Best in Show: \$1000, Best in 2D: \$500, Best in 3D: \$500  
Honorable Mention: \$100 (3)

## Questions

E-mail [sarah@emergegallery.com](mailto:sarah@emergegallery.com) or call (252) 551-6947  
Summer Gallery Hours: Tuesday-Thursday: 9am-9pm,  
Monday and Friday: 9am-4pm, Saturday: 10am-4pm

## Juror Austin Sheppard

Austin Sheppard's mixed media sculptures and drawings are self-reflective and phenomenological in the sense that he begins from his personal experiences as an individual. Through the vehicle of the human figure, he also explores the shared human condition by expressing emotional experiences like anxiety, anguish, endurance and resilience. Austin earned his BA in Studio Art from University of North Carolina, Pembroke in 2007 and his MFA in Sculpture from East Carolina University in 2010. Previously, he's been an Artist-in-Residence at the Scottish Sculpture Workshop, Franconia Sculpture Park, Salem Art Works, and has participated in International Sculpture Symposia in the UK, Germany, Finland, Costa Rica and Latvia.

As an educator, tinkerer, and artistic investigator across a wide variety of media, Austin is keen to provide platforms for a diverse array of under-represented voices and stylistic approaches. In 2023 he worked in conjunction with Coker University, where he serves as an Assistant Professor of Art, to pilot a program that brought artist Michaela Pilar Brown to campus for a month-long residency. Austin is currently producing new work for a solo exhibition at Emerge gallery in the Fall of 2024.

## About Emerge Gallery & Art Center

Emerge Gallery & Art Center, Home of the Pitt County Arts Council, is a non-profit arts organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life in Pitt County by promoting artists and arts organizations, educating through the arts, and making the arts accessible to the entire community. Emerge Gallery & Art Center also offers a variety of workshops and classes for youth and adults in pottery, metal design/jewelry, painting, drawing, and much more. The facility has two galleries with rotating exhibitions and a sales gallery featuring local art. Two Outreach Programs are offered, the Youth Public Arts Project and Art is Good Medicine.

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