



Marks of Distinction 2021

Show Dates: June 27, 2021 – July 31, 2021

Location: ONLINE ONLY

Jurors of Selection: Lyn Diefenbach & Teresa Saia

Juror of Awards: Tony Allain

1st Place: \$1000, 2nd Place: \$600, 3rd Place: \$400

Estimated over \$3500 in Cash & Merchandise Awards!

PLUS all Entrants will receive free admission to zoom demos from our selection jurors and awards judge.

Lyn Diefenbach = April 21st 6PM-8PM

Teresa Saia = May 26th 6PM-8PM

Tony Allain = June 27th, 1PM-3PM EST (immediately prior to the live awards ceremony)

Links will be sent out to those who have entered Marks of Distinction 2021.

Key Dates

3/14 Sunday	Entries Open
6/13 Sunday	Entry Deadline
6/26 Saturday	Acceptance Notifications sent via email
6/27 Sunday	Live Awards Ceremony 3PM EST via Zoom
6/27 – 7/31	The show in its entirety will be posted on the CMPS website.

AWARDS: CMPS is anticipating that donations by our generous sponsors and fellow pastel societies will be approximately \$4000 in cash and merchandise awards. All awards will first be announced via a live zoom ceremony on 6/27/21 at 4pm. Winners will also be posted on the CMPS homepage later that evening. All accepted pieces will be showcased at the live reception and on the CMPS website.

Show Specifications have changed. Please review new specifications prior to entry.

***SPECIFICATIONS:**

This is a Juried Show

This show is open to pastel artists from around the world, CMPS members and non-members alike

Entrants may submit up to 5 paintings

Work that has already won an award with a value of \$75 or more (merchandise or cash), in another show, is not eligible for entry

Work must have been created within the past 3 years

Work must be 80% soft pastels (no oil pastel)

Work must be derived from the artist's original reference and composition

Paintings worked on in workshops and/or classes are not acceptable

Work must not have been previously shown in any CMPS exhibition

CMPS to retain 20% of any sold work

NFS work is eligible

Reasonable pricing to be set by the artist

***Please note - CMPS reserves the right to refuse any painting that does not meet any of the above specifications. Additionally, should CMPS be notified of an issue with an award winner, CMPS will vet the allegation and should the piece be found in violation of any of the above, the award will be stripped and passed to another of the judges choosing, so please review all of the above carefully and adhere to the specifications.**

HOW TO ENTER: To submit entries from 3/14/2021 – 6/13/2021 go to <http://www.showsubmit.com/> and choose the CMPS Marks of Distinction 2021 exhibition. Complete, detailed entry instructions can be found there. The ShowSubmit CMPS Marks of Distinction link will be open for entries on **March 14th** and will be closed to entries at **11:59pm on June 13th**.

FEES:

CMPS Members*; \$35 for the first 3 entries and \$10 for each additional entry, with a limit of 5 entries total. (4=\$45, 5=\$55)

Non-Members; \$45 for the first 3 entries and \$10 for each additional entry, with a limit of 5 entries total. (4=\$55, 5=\$65)

All entry fees are non-refundable.

*Dues must be paid in full prior to submission to receive the CMPS Member rate. Participants can join, or renew at <https://www.cmpastels.org/membership.html>.

ACCEPTED/REJECTED WORK: Notifications will be sent via email no later than **June 26th**.

DISQUALIFICATION: Please note, failure to follow rules above may result in disqualification of entry and/or stripping of award.

QUESTIONS? Please email CMPS Marks of Distinction 2021 Co-Chairs;

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