

BCCI BEST PRACTICES ART CONTEST RULES

Blanco County has enormous beauty and natural infrastructure. Your artwork will be a powerful tool in promoting conservation of this beauty with it appearing on posters and other media throughout Blanco County inspiring others to take action. This year we are celebrating Blanco County's **Land and Wildlife**.

The Grand Prize winner of the contest will receive a \$2,000 cash prize and their artwork will be printed on posters and distributed to key community hubs in Blanco County. There is no age restriction on who wins the Grand Prize.

There are also 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes for those artists at High School and Middle School and Elementary School levels. Each winner will receive a certificate.

With the artist's consent, art entries may be auctioned via silent auction with 50% of the proceeds going to the artist and 50% of the proceeds going to BCCI with the artist setting the minimum bid for their artwork. The auction will take place at the Blanco Library from November 6, 2025, through November 12, 2025.

All artwork, along with the ***Inspiration Statement***, will be displayed on the BCCI website www.bccitx.org. This contest is a community project of the Blanco County Conservation Initiative (BCCI).

Contest Rules

1. Artwork must be submitted in person during weekday business hours between 9:00AM on October 15, 2025, and 5:00PM on October 31, 2025.
2. Artwork must be original work created by a resident of Blanco County.
3. Only one piece of artwork will be accepted per person.
4. Minors (under 18 years of age) require a guardian's written permission via the ***Contest Entry Form and Agreement***.
5. Each piece of artwork must have a completed ***Contest Entry Form and Agreement***, attached to the back with tape or a clear glue stick.
6. By entering, artists grant usage rights to BCCI to include sale of the artwork images.
7. Artists may use their work for personal purposes.
8. Winners and runners-up (and their parents or guardians) agree to the use of their names to promote the **BCCI Best Practices** campaign in both print and digital media.
9. Entries may be picked up following presentation of awards any time after November 12, 2025.
10. By entering, the Grand Prize Winner transfers ownership and grants usage rights to BCCI. The rights to all other entries are retained by the artist.

Artwork Rules

Artwork will be photographed for printing on a poster.

1. All entries must illustrate Blanco County's connection to conservation of "**Land and Wildlife**".
2. Artwork may not include slogans or logos. No company logos, product brands, brand names, trademarked characters or store names are allowed.
3. **Artwork must be submitted on a flat surface with very little texture that is 9 inches wide and 12 inches tall. Quality of transfer of the artwork image to a poster is very important.**
4. **Artwork must be in vertical (or "portrait") orientation.**
5. Artwork must not be framed.
6. All artwork must be two-dimensional, using any of the following: watercolor, acrylic or oil paints, colored pencil, colored markers, ink, charcoal, pastels and crayons. Collages, computer-generated artwork, photography, traced images or photocopies will be disqualified.
7. Each entrant agrees not to submit any entry that infringes upon any third party proprietary rights, intellectual property rights, industrial property rights, personal or moral rights or any other rights, including without limitation, copyright, trademark, patent, trade secret or confidentiality obligations or otherwise violates applicable U.S. law. Entries violating this section of the rules may be disqualified.

Judging

- Entries will be judged based on creativity and uniqueness, relativity to Blanco County's connection to **Land and Wildlife**, interpretation of the BCCI mission, and overall visual appeal.
- All judgments are final.
- Entries will be judged by the Board of Directors of BCCI.

Artwork Submission

Participants must submit their original artwork (with ***Contest Entry Form and Agreement*** attached to the back) at one of the following locations:

Blanco Library
1118 Main St
Blanco, TX 78606
Hours: Monday-Friday, 10AM - 6PM and Saturdays 10AM - 2PM

There will be a Johnson City drop-off location to be announced by October 1, 2025.

For more information, please contact: bob@bccitx.org

This art contest is brought to you by the Blanco County Conservation Initiative (BCCI)



BCCI Best Practices Art Contest
Entry Form and Agreement

(Please print so we can read it)

Please check which category is being entered:

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Adult

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High School

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Middle School

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Elementary School

Artist's First and Last Name: _____

If under 18, please list Parent/Guardian First and Last Name: _____

Email (if under 18, please indicate parent/guardian email): _____

Phone Number (if under 18, please indicate parent/guardian phone number): _____

Home Address: _____

Tell us about what inspired your artwork and how it connects to the theme – **Blanco County Land & Wildlife**

By signing this form I agree to the BCCI Best Practice Art Contest Rules.

Artist Signature: _____ Date _____

If Artist is under 18 years of age,
Parent/Guardian Signature required: _____ Date _____

Attach this form to the back of your artwork