Call Type: Competition
Eligibility: Central Texas
Entry Deadline: April 26, 2024

**Event Dates:** June 14, 2024 through June 13, 2025

## **Capture the Essence of Nature and Technology**

The Nolanville Arts Council proudly presents Environmental Science and Technology, a dual art exhibit and competition to explore the essence of nature, and technology in art.

Technology has improved human understanding of the fragility of nature that calls for a more harmonious balance between people and nature. Through the use of color, light, visual art can capture this delicate relationship. As technology advances; so too may our appreciation of our natural environment and our ability to peacefully coexist.

The Nolanville Arts Council invites you to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Environmental Science and Technology Art Exhibit 2024. Ten pieces of original visual artwork (photography and paintings) focusing on nature and/or technology will add to this year's competition for display at the SMART Museum 408 N. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Nolanville Texas 76559.

Exhibits are juried competition for both professional and emerging Central Texas artists. A public awards ceremony featuring the artist's work will be held at the SMART Museum 408 N. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Nolanville, Texas on June 14, 2024 followed by a public reception.

Submission is free, and the Nolanville Arts Council will provide a transportation stipend to facilitate delivery of the artist's work.

Visit previous exhibitions: <a href="https://www.nolanvilleedc.org/recreation-entertainment">https://www.nolanvilleedc.org/recreation-entertainment</a>

All original photographs and paintings must be framed with a protective covering and ready for wall hanging. Artwork must measure no larger than 16" x 24". Artwork may be on display from June 2024 to June 2025.

The event supports career growth of Central Texas artists and increases public exposure to the regional arts community. Artist submissions will be reviewed by a distinguished regional panel of jurors.

A \$50.00 shipping stipend will be provided for each selected photograph / painting. \$25.00 upon delivery and \$25.00 upon removal. Arts Council Nolanville is not responsible for delivery and/or removal artwork. Artists should specify if the artwork is for purchase and its value for insurance and sale purposes. The winning artist will receive a \$250.00 award and second-place artist will receive \$150.00 award.

Winning artists will also receive a featured website for 1-year linked to social media, city newsletter, City Council presentation and local media coverage.

Costs: No Costs; however, registration is required.

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Submission: Artists may submit digital images of up to 3 original artworks via email, CD/flash drive or by mail. Artists should indicate name, description of the medium, artists biography and year of composition. (Exhibit Prospectus)

## **BACKGROUND:**

The SMART Museum is located in the heart of Nolanville, but services all of Bell County, with a population 380,000. The museum offers career exploration experiences for the region's 50,000 school age students using the most advanced interactive technologies including VR/AI/Simulation and ChatGPT. The museum features exhibits in solar energy, hydroponics, environmental conservation, cloud engineering, game design, software development with career pathways to the area's four colleges. Nolanville prides itself on outdoor recreation such as cycling, and kayaking and has recently unveiled two of Texas' most advanced skate parks at Fox Park and Avenue G.

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