



Art of the Plains 2021

American Plains Artists Thirty-sixth Annual Juried Exhibit & Sale

Over \$15,000.00 in Awards

CFD OLD WEST MUSEUM
4610 N. Carey Avenue – Cheyenne, WY 82001
November 5 – December 5, 2021

Awards Juror
Jeff Wolf



Utah sculptor Jeff Wolf has climbed the ladder of fame on his own merits. Through the unquestionable mastery of his work, he has gained a reputation as one of the greatest western sculptors of our time. But it doesn't stop there, he has been commissioned to sculpt everything from football players to angels. He has been commissioned by Coca Cola, Susan G Koman Foundation, T.A.P.S. Foundation, Corporate CEO's, The National Retriever Club and the National Amateur Retriever Club, the PBR, and WNFR, plus numerous companies, municipal entities, organizations, farmers and ranchers, sportsmen, and families. Wolf has designed and sculpted many awards, person tributes, and memorial monuments.

His many awards include best of show, people's choice and best in category in seven separate art genres, Western, Wildlife, Figural, Rodeo, Equine, Canine and Native American.

He also shares his talents and knowledge with fellow artists, students of the arts, and charitable foundations by instructing workshops, lecturing at schools and public events, and also by donating his time and talent.

His work has raised over one million dollars for charitable foundations and the betterment of life, is collected internationally, and is in some of the most prestigious collections in the world.

To learn more about Jeff Wolf and his work please refer to: www.jeffwolfstudios.com or look him up on Facebook : "Jeff Wolf or Jeff Wolf Studios".

About APA and the Theme of the Exhibit

The **American Plains Artists** or APA was first organized in 1982 as a small group of artists who banded together to highlight through their art, the variety to be found in the vast region known as the American Plains. Today, the APA has expanded into a nonprofit organization with a membership consisting of both signature and associate members. The goals have remained the same, to educate the public through traditional and representational art works about the American Plains region including the landscape, wildlife, peoples and way of life in historical or modern times. Works submitted for the juried show must reflect this theme. Review the website www.americanplainsartists.com for more info.

Awards

Best of Show \$2,000.00

1st Place Award \$1,000.00 **2nd Place Award** \$750.00 **3rd Place Award** \$500.00

Clyde Heron Award (the most accurately rendered artwork of a historical subject) \$250.00

Plainsman Award (People's Choice) – \$250.00

Golden Spur Award (Artists' Choice) – \$250.00

Arrowhead Award (Facility's Board Member's Choice) – \$250.00

Best Plains Life –\$200.00 **Mystery Award** (APA Exe. Committee's Choice) –\$200.00

The previous two awards are to encourage diversity of subject matter in artwork.

****All of the awards above and all ribbons are given by the **American Plains Artists******

Publisher's Award of Excellence – One-Half Page Ad sponsored by *Art of the West* \$1,780.00 value

Publisher's Award of Excellence – Half-Page Ad sponsored by *Western Art & Architecture* \$3,050.00

Publisher's Award of Excellence – Artist's Focus Award sponsored by *Western Art Collector* \$3,400.00 value

Exhibition Award – Inclusion in the 2022 CFD Western Art Show, sponsored by the Old West Museum, Cheyenne, WY

Artist's Retreat Award – given by **Our Heritage Guest Ranch**, Jean Norman, Owner, Crawford, NE \$400.00 value

Canvas Panels Award – **Two Awards** -- given by **SourceTek**, Owner JoAnne Pierce, Scottsdale, AZ

The Wyoming Award – a one-year subscription to *Wyoming Lifestyles* and to *Wyoming Wildlife* given by the American Plains Artists, and a copy of *The Man Who Hated Hickock* by Wyoming Author CM Wendelboe given by CM Wendelboe.

10 Award of Excellence

Other Awards Possible

Art Purchases

Sales commission of 40% will apply and will benefit both CFD Old West Museum and the American Plains Artists. However, the commission on any *premium* from “Jump the Gun” sales will be 40% to the Artist and 60% to the Old West Museum and APA. **ALL pre-show sales are subject to the 25% “Jump the Gun” premium price and commission rates.** Artists will receive 60% of the list price of their sold artwork, plus 40% of the *premium* if their artwork is sold during the “Jump the Gun” event or before the show opens.

Jury Process via Digital Entries

Initial jurying will be from the submitted Digital Entries sent via the APA website. To enter, go to the Show and Events tab and then the Juried Show Entry Page on the APA website. Then click on any of the highlighted links on that page for the prospectus or the entry form. Submitted entries will be reviewed by a panel of APA Signature Members on the aesthetic and technical skills of the artist in depicting the theme of the Great Plains. Awards Juror Jeff Wolf will choose works to receive awards after viewing the original works selected for inclusion in the exhibit.

Eligibility

Open to artists working in any traditional 2D or 3D fine art media in a realistic or representational manner reflecting the theme of the American Plains completed within the last three years, original work only and not previously shown in an Annual Juried APA Show. No photography or computer-generated art accepted.

- We must have both the image size of the artwork itself and the outside dimensions of the frame. **The maximum size for 2D work is 47” wide x 60” high including the outside dimension of the frame.** Sculpture would be of moderate size and not exceed 100 pounds.
- *Artwork must represent the theme of the show (the American Great Plains).*
- All works must be for sale, with a 40% commission collected on all sales.

NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES’ ARTISTS:

Due to the difficulties in returning unsold artworks to artists who live outside the USA borders, our neighboring countries’ artists are required to make arrangements to have their artwork return-shipped to a gallery near the border in the USA or to a friend within the USA. It will be the responsibility of the neighboring countries’ artists to pick up their artwork from that gallery or friend in the USA or make arrangements with the gallery or friend in the USA to get their artwork returned across the border.

Entry Procedure

Go to the “Shows and Events” and then to “Juried Art Show” on the APA website: www.americanplainsartists.com. The 2021 Entry Form and all the info about entering the show is on that page.

Please be sure to complete the Entry Form in its entirety. Be sure to put <http://www>. (or if secure, <https://>) before your website address.

- Attach the digital images you wish to submit with the following guidelines.

Your **digital images** must have a resolution of 300 dpi and be 700 pixels on the longest side of the artwork. The file should be kept under 3MB. See the video on the **Video Guide** Tab for help in preparing your images. (continued to next page)

Each two-dimensional jpg **file name** should be named as follows:

- Last Name, First Name Title of Art Size Media \$Price
- Example: Doeartist, John Kansas Skies 16x20 Oil \$1000.00

For 3D artists you may submit one or two additional images such as a side and back view or detail image to represent one entry. Your jpg file name format will be like this example:

- Doeartist, John Bronc Rider 15Hx10Lx10D Bronze \$2000.00
- Doeartist, John Bronc Rider side view 15Hx10Lx10D Bronze
- Doeartist, John Bronc Rider detail 15Hx10Lx10D Bronze

Once you have completed the entry form and attached your files, copy and paste or type the following four addresses into the address line: jennifer@americanplainsartists.com, lou@americanplainsartists.com, jammey@americanplainsartists.com, and judy@americanplainsartists.com. In the Subject Line type: **APA Entry and your last name and first name (APA Entry Doe, Jane)**. Type any note you wish to send to us. Then send your email. Your entry files will be sent to the APA Image Recorder, Secretary, Historian, and President. We will later email you a copy of your entry for your records.

The entry fee and membership fee are to be paid via PayPal (either as a Member of PayPal [your password required] or as a Guest of PayPal [NO password required]) **through the APA website in the amount of \$100.00** (\$50 Entry fee [includes up to three entries] and \$50 Membership fee—or just send the \$50 Entry fee if you paid your membership fee earlier in the year).

No entries accepted after this date, September 11, 2021

Note: SHIPPING INFORMATION

Accepted artists will be sent specific instructions in their acceptance letter for the shipment/delivery of artwork to the CFD Old West Museum.

- **However, artists should be aware that they are responsible for all shipping costs to and from the museum and that there is a \$15 fee per crate/box. (See below.)**
- **Art should be sent in sturdy reusable containers. Do Not use Styrofoam peanuts of any kind. Bubblewrap is recommended.**
- **Accepted artists will pay \$15.00 to the CFD Old West Museum per crate/box for unboxing/uncrating-reboxing/recreating their artwork. It should be sent at the time the artists ship their work.**
- **If a new box or extra bubblewrap, etc. is needed to be purchased to re-pack the artwork, then a fee will be charged in addition to the \$15.00 boxing fee.**
- **All artwork must be sent and returned by Fed Ex or UPS paid by the artist. A pre-paid completed return label will be required by the end of the show.**
- **NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES' ARTISTS see additional note under "Eligibility".**

2021 CALENDAR

1. Start Receiving Digital Entries: July 18th
2. ENTRY DUE DATE/Deadline for Digital Entries: September 11th
3. Notification of Accepted Artworks will be emailed on or before: October 6th
4. Artists' One-Page Bios/Statements due to amanda.byzewski@oldwestmuseum.org: Oct. 15th
5. Accepted work should be shipped to arrive: October 18th-22nd
6. Hand Delivery of Work to the CFD Old West Museum: October 25-29th, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. M-F. Email or call Amanda Byzewski to schedule an appointment in advance. (307.778.7289)
7. "Jump the Gun" Opening Reception for CFD OWM Members and APA show artists: November 5th, 4:30-5:30 p.m.
8. Opening Reception Open to the Public: Friday, November 5th, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
9. After-the-Reception Supper-Dinner and APA Annual Meeting to follow the reception: 7:45 or 8 PM, Location TBA later.
10. Resource Day for seeing, learning, and photo research for future artworks: November 6th
11. Closing of the Show: CFD Old West Museum: December 5th, 5 PM
12. Pickup of Unsold Hand-Delivered Artwork: December 7th-10th, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. M-F. Email or call Amanda Byzewski to schedule an appointment in advance. (308.778.7289)
13. Return Shipping of Unsold Artwork: December 17th

If someone needs to make special arrangements they should call or email:

Amanda Byzewski, Art Show & Events Coordinator

CFD Old West Museum

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Questions? View the APA website at www.AmericanPlainsArtists.com or send an email to one of the following:

Judy McElroy, APA President & Show Chairperson: judy@americanplainsartists.com

Lou Albright, APA Secretary: lou@americanplainsartists.com