

# DEADLINES

For the UK's major national open competitions and prizes in 2011. And remember, you can't win if you don't enter!

## ROYAL WATERCOLOUR SOCIETY OPEN EXHIBITION

The oldest watercolour society in the world  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.royalwatercoloursociety.co.uk](http://www.royalwatercoloursociety.co.uk)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **12 January**  
COLLECTION OF UNACCEPTED WORK: 15 February  
EXHIBITION: 18 February – 10 March at Bankside Gallery, London

## ROYAL SOCIETY OF BRITISH ARTISTS 2011

Celebrating skill in all media, including sculpture and prints  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.mallgalleries.org.uk](http://www.mallgalleries.org.uk)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **14 and 15 January**  
COLLECTION OF UNACCEPTED WORK: 22 and 26 January  
EXHIBITION: 2–12 March at Mall Galleries, London

## ROYAL INSTITUTE OF PAINTERS IN WATER COLOURS

Annual exhibition featuring the £2,500 Turner Watercolour Award  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.mallgalleries.org.uk](http://www.mallgalleries.org.uk)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **28 and 29 January**  
COLLECTION OF UNACCEPTED WORK: 12 and 16 February  
EXHIBITION: 30 March – 10 April at Mall Galleries, London

## WILDLIFE ARTIST OF THE YEAR 2011

Selling exhibition with profits to the David Shepherd Wildlife Foundation  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.davidsshepherd.org](http://www.davidsshepherd.org)  
CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION: **31 January**  
EXHIBITION: 7–11 June at Mall Galleries, London

## BP PORTRAIT AWARD

The internationally-renowned portrait prize, now in its 32nd year  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.npg.org.uk/bp](http://www.npg.org.uk/bp)  
CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION: **10 February**  
COLLECTION OF UNACCEPTED WORK: 6 April  
EXHIBITION: 16 June – 18 September at National Portrait Gallery, London

## SOCIETY OF BOTANICAL ARTISTS

'The World of Plants' is the theme for this year's annual London open  
REGISTRATION DETAILS: [www.soc-botanical-artists.org](http://www.soc-botanical-artists.org)  
RECEIVING DAY: **14 February**  
EXHIBITION: 8–17 April at Westminster Central Hall, London

## COLOUR 2011: PASTEL SOCIETY UK

Accepting works in pastels, pencil, charcoal and dry media  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.mallgalleries.org.uk](http://www.mallgalleries.org.uk)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **18 and 19 February**  
COLLECTION OF UNACCEPTED WORK: 5 and 9 March  
EXHIBITION: 20 April – 1 May at Mall Galleries, London

## SAA ARTIST OF THE YEAR 2011

Society for All Artists offer a £2,000 first prize  
APPLICATION DETAILS: [www.saa.co.uk/aoy](http://www.saa.co.uk/aoy)  
CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION: **25 February**  
Notification: 27 May  
Exhibition: tbc

## ROYAL SOCIETY OF PORTRAIT PAINTERS 2011

Featuring high-profile society commissions and more personal depictions  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.mallgalleries.org.uk](http://www.mallgalleries.org.uk)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **18 and 19 March**  
COLLECTION OF UNACCEPTED WORK: 2 and 6 April  
EXHIBITION: 5–20 May at Mall Galleries, London

## ROYAL ACADEMY SUMMER EXHIBITION

243rd year for the world's largest open contemporary art exhibition  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.royalacademy.org.uk](http://www.royalacademy.org.uk)  
CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION:  
RECEIVING DAYS: **28–31 March** (paintings, drawings and prints only)  
EXHIBITION: 7 June – 15 August at Royal Academy of Arts, London

## SOCIETY OF WOMEN ARTISTS 2011

150th annual exhibition with 500 new works and a retrospective  
APPLICATION DETAILS: [www.society-women-artists.org.uk](http://www.society-women-artists.org.uk)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **15 and 16 April**  
COLLECTION OF UNACCEPTED WORK: 6 and 7 May  
EXHIBITION: 30 June – 9 July at Mall Galleries, London

## GUILD OF AVIATION ARTISTS 2011

Take to the skies for the artistic flying club's 40th anniversary  
REGISTRATION DETAILS: [www.gava.org.uk](http://www.gava.org.uk)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **8 May**  
COLLECTION OF UNACCEPTED WORK:  
EXHIBITION: 18–24 July at Mall Galleries, London

## JERWOOD DRAWING PRIZE 2011

Established in 1994, this open prize is backed by the Jerwood Charitable Foundation  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.jerwoodvisualarts.org/drawing](http://www.jerwoodvisualarts.org/drawing)  
CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION: **June tbc**  
RECEIVING DAYS: July tbc  
EXHIBITION: September tbc

## SUNDAY TIMES WATERCOLOUR COMPETITION

Broadsheet-endorsed exhibition with a £20,000 first prize  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.parkerharris.co.uk](http://www.parkerharris.co.uk)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **June tbc**  
EXHIBITION: September tbc

## THE THREEDNEEDLE PRIZE 2011

A £25,000 prize for works that "lend new meaning" to contemporary art  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.threadneedleprize.com](http://www.threadneedleprize.com)  
CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION: **1 June** (opens 1 March)  
RECEIVING DAYS: tbc  
EXHIBITION: 22 September – 8 October at Mall Galleries, London

## SOCIETY OF EQUESTRIAN ARTISTS 2011

Dedicated to encouraging the practice of painting and sculpting horses  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.equestrianartists.co.uk](http://www.equestrianartists.co.uk)  
CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION: **4 June**  
RECEIVING DAYS: tba  
COLLECTION OF UNACCEPTED WORK: tba  
EXHIBITION: 2–7 August at Mall Galleries, London

## UKCPS ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL OPEN EXHIBITION

10th annual UK Coloured Pencil Society show sponsored by Faber Castell  
REGISTRATION DETAILS: [www.ukcps.co.uk](http://www.ukcps.co.uk)  
CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION: **11 June**  
EXHIBITION: 18–30 September at Westminster Central Hall, London

## BITE: ARTISTS MAKING PRINTS

Formerly 'Originals', a return of the contemporary printmaking show  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.mallgalleries.org.uk](http://www.mallgalleries.org.uk)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **15 and 16 July**  
COLLECTION OF UNACCEPTED WORK: 22 and 23 July  
EXHIBITION: 24 August – 3 September at Mall Galleries, London

## ROYAL SOCIETY OF MARINE ARTISTS 2011

Celebrating the sea, with artworks in a variety of mediums  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.mallgalleries.org.uk](http://www.mallgalleries.org.uk)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **12 and 13 August**  
COLLECTION OF UNACCEPTED WORK: 27 and 31 August  
EXHIBITION: 12–23 October at Mall Galleries, London

## SOCIETY OF GRAPHIC FINE ART 2011

The 90th annual exhibition for the society promoting fine drawing skills  
REGISTRATION DETAILS: [www.sgfa.org.uk](http://www.sgfa.org.uk)  
CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION: **15 August**  
RECEIVING DAYS: tbc  
EXHIBITION: 3–15 October at Menier Gallery, London

## NATIONAL OPEN ART COMPETITION 2011

Chichester-based open show in its fourth year  
REGISTRATION DETAILS:  
[www.thenationalopenartcompetition.com](http://www.thenationalopenartcompetition.com)  
CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION: **31 August**  
RECEIVING DAYS: October tbc  
EXHIBITION: November tbc

## ING DISCERNING EYE EXHIBITION

The educational charity's annual show with lucrative prizes  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.discerningeye.org](http://www.discerningeye.org)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **September tbc**  
EXHIBITION: November tbc

## LYNN-PAINTER STAINERS PRIZE 2011

Seventh year for a prize promoting representational art  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.painter-stainers.org](http://www.painter-stainers.org)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **September tbc**  
EXHIBITION: November tbc

## SOCIETY OF WILDLIFE ARTISTS 2011

The year's best artworks that evoke the spirit of the natural world  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.mallgalleries.org.uk](http://www.mallgalleries.org.uk)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **11 and 12 September**  
COLLECTION OF UNACCEPTED WORK: 24 and 28 September  
EXHIBITION: 26 October – 6 November at Mall Galleries, London

## NEW ENGLISH ART CLUB 2011

Annual show for the figurative painting society  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.mallgalleries.org.uk](http://www.mallgalleries.org.uk)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **30 September and 1 October**  
COLLECTION OF UNACCEPTED WORK: 15 and 19 October  
EXHIBITION: 25 November – 4 December at Mall Galleries, London

## ROYAL INSTITUTE OF OIL PAINTERS 2011

Celebrating the best of British oil painting  
REGISTRATION FORMS: [www.mallgalleries.org.uk](http://www.mallgalleries.org.uk)  
RECEIVING DAYS: **28 and 29 October**  
COLLECTION OF UNACCEPTED WORK: 12 and 16 November  
EXHIBITION: 7–18 December at Mall Galleries, London

Have we missed a national art competition? Email us at [info@artistsandillustrators.co.uk](mailto:info@artistsandillustrators.co.uk) and we will add it to our online list...