

# **2027 Quad Cities Summer Games**

## **Arts & Crafts — Rules and Guidelines**

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### **Eligibility**

Participants must be at least 40 years of age by June 1, 2027. Entries must be the original work of the participant and must not have previously won an award in Summer Games competition.

Participants may enter no more than one piece in each of the following seven categories.

### **Competition Categories**

1. Wood Crafts: Entries can be three-dimensional sculptures, carvings, utilitarian objects, or furniture composed of at least 90% wood. Subjects can be single or grouped, realistic, representational, or abstract.
2. Wall Hangings/Painting & Drawing: Entries intended for wall display can employ oil paint, acrylics, watercolor, pastels, pencil, or charcoal.
3. Wall Hangings/Photographs: Entries can be color, black and white, or computer-enhanced photographs.
4. Mixed Media: Entries can combine two or more traditional media to form a cohesive piece, either wall-mounted or freestanding.
5. Ceramics: Entries can be three-dimensional or bas-relief, functional or decorative, realistic, representational, or abstract, and made primarily from clay.
6. Fiber Arts: Entries can include rug hooking, cross-stitching, embroidery, crochet, quilting, or sewing. Items can be decorative or functional.
7. Jewelry: Entries can be beaded, metalsmithed, or created with mixed media and intended to be worn for personal adornment.

### **Submission Requirements**

All entries must be hand-delivered or shipped with protective packaging to:

CASI  
1035 W. Kimberly Road  
Davenport, Iowa

Submission deadline: May 12, 2027.

Hand-delivered entries will be accepted and processed at CASI on May 12, from noon to 6:00 PM. Shipped entries must arrive no later than May 12.

Wall-mounted entries must be ready to hang, with attachments sufficiently strong for extended display.

Each entry must have a separate or attached identification card containing the participant's name, title of the piece, physical address, email address, telephone number, and date of birth.

## **Judging and Awards**

Judges appointed or recommended by Quad City Arts will evaluate entries based on originality, creativity, fabrication skill, and overall impact.

Gold, silver, and bronze medals will be awarded in each of the seven categories. This is not an age-group competition; all eligible participants compete together within their respective categories.

Judges reserve the right to reassign entries to a more appropriate category and to reject entries containing inappropriate or offensive material.

Winners will be announced at the Quad Cities Summer Games Opening Ceremonies on June 1, 2027.

## **Display and Pickup**

Entries are intended to remain on display at CASI for a period of time so that Summer Games participants and the public can view and enjoy them.

Participants may retrieve their entries at Opening Ceremonies on June 1, 2027, or pick them up at CASI afterward, during regular operating hours. We encourage participants who do not need their entries immediately to leave them on display for public enjoyment.

All entries must be picked up no later than June 10, 2027. Entries may be picked up by the participant or an authorized representative. CASI cannot store entries beyond June 10, and no return shipping will be provided.