

Important Dates

Application due: October 30, 2025

Artwork drop-off: By November 7, 2025

On display: November 16, 2025 – January 7, 2026

Opening reception: November 16, 2025 (1-3 PM)

Artwork pick-up: January 9, 2026

Background

Sponsored by the Lepow-Gurvitch family in loving memory of Sadie and Eli Gurvitch, this annual group art exhibit highlights the creative efforts of non-professional artists aged 55+ who wish to show their work. The show is dedicated primarily to Sadie Gurvitch, who in her 60s developed a strong interest in art and painting.

The exhibit will be on display **Sunday, November 16, 2025 - Wednesday, January 7, 2026** in the Adult Lounge at the Springfield Jewish Community Center. The opening reception will take place on Sunday, November 16 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM.

Eligibility

Adults from the Pioneer Valley, ages 55 and older, are eligible to submit work. Please note that the show is open to non-professional artists only.

Requirements

- 2D work must not exceed 30" x 40" (including frame). The work must be framed, wired, matted where suitable, and ready for hanging on a wall. We do not exhibit 2D work on easels.
- 3D work must not exceed 36." Artists may need to provide their own pedestal/hardware for proper presentation in the JCC's display cases.
- Entries must be original work completed within the last three years.
- Artists may submit only one piece of art, which has not been submitted in prior years.

Categories

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| 1. Oil and Acrylic Painting | 4. Photography |
| 2. Watercolor Painting | 5. 3-D (e.g., sculpture, woodworking, ceramics, mosaic) |
| 3. Drawing (e.g., pastels, ink, charcoal) | |

Submission and Exhibit Agreement

Fill out and return the enclosed application form by Thursday, October 30, 2025. You can drop off your artwork at the Springfield JCC on or before Friday, November 7 between 9 AM and 4 PM. You will be asked to sign a liability release with your application. Permission to photograph your artwork for publicity purposes is granted unless otherwise stated in writing.

Awards

Submissions will be assessed by a panel of visual arts professionals. Judging criteria include creativity, originality, execution, and overall impression. Cash prizes and ribbons will be awarded as follows:

- Best in Show - \$100 & Ribbon
- 1st Place for each category - \$50 & Ribbon
- 2nd Place for each category - Ribbon



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ARTIST ENTRY FORM

NAME (Please Print) _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

EMAIL _____

TITLE OF WORK _____

SIZE (with frame) _____

ENTRY FOR SALE? ☐ **YES** **SALE PRICE \$** _____ ☐ **NO, NOT FOR SALE**

ENTRY CATEGORY (Choose one)

- ☐ Oil & Acrylic Painting ☐ Watercolor Painting ☐ 3D Artwork
☐ Drawing ☐ Photography

Release and Waiver of Liability: The Springfield Jewish Community Center shall not be liable for the loss, theft, or damage of any items or artwork that will be on display.

(Signature) _____

Please email your completed entry form to Emily White (ewhite@springfieldjcc.org) or mail to:
Springfield Jewish Community Center
Attention: Cultural Arts Department
1160 Dickinson Street
Springfield, MA 01108

Important: Application is due by Thursday, October 30, 2025.
Contact the JCC at (413) 739-4715 with questions.