



Dear WRAP Coordinators,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 exhibit year, and thanks to all of you who are helping us keep the WRAP program strong as AWA assumes responsibility for the administration of the WRAP program. We no longer have a WRAP director, and as AWA-WRAP Liaison, I will be your main contact for communication about the WRAP program.

This year we all face the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, and many of you will be adjusting your WRAP exhibits and workshops to an on-line or hybrid format. Angela's talented student worker Abi will be paid by AWA to help with setting up on-line art galleries for your exhibits and hosting on-line workshops, and AWA will purchase a Zoom subscription for you to use. Abi and I will be scheduling Zoom meetings with those of you who will be hosting on-line and hybrid workshops well before your exhibits so that you understand the process.

The basic WRAP program and guidelines remain the same. The main difference that WRAP participants will notice is that on-line registration has moved to the AWA website, and they pay the entry fee on-line. They are also still allowed to register the old-fashioned way with the paper application form and checks.

State Award winners from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 will be invited to exhibit their winning artwork at the Pyle Center in Madison, concluding with the State Conference weekend on September 24 and 25, 2021. Although any WRAP participant can receive a State Award, to receive a monetary award at the State Exhibition, the artist must be a current AWA member.

I have updated the Coordinators Toolkit page from the UW WRAP website and it is now available at AWA website wiscartists.org. I expanded the listing of coordinator tasks with a suggested timeline and moved it to a separate document, Tasks and Timeline. This document includes information about the new on-line registration system.

Let me know if you have questions about any of this information, and whether I have left out material from the UW website that you found useful. The AWA website is definitely a work in progress at this point and I welcome your suggestions.

Best wishes,

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