

# Nude Figure Drawing Competition

University at Buffalo Department of Art Spring 2025

Sponsored by the AANR – Education Foundation

**Art transcends political censorship and theocratic cultural attempts to suppress individuals' freedom of thought and expression.**

The Education Foundation of the American Association for Nude Recreation is excited to sponsor a Nude Figure Drawing Competition. This partnership with the University at Buffalo Department of Art furthers the Foundation's mission to promote a fair and accepting appreciation of the human person and body. It emphasizes that the naturalness of nudity enhances physical health and mental well-being while encouraging positive body images through the non-sexual practice of social naturism. Promoting the simultaneous creation of figure drawings by students and patrons of Open Figure Drawing aligns with our shared missions.

## ELIGIBILITY

- Students enrolled in a Spring 2025 Drawing Course with a Figure Drawing component.
- Public Open Figure Drawing patrons who have attended two or more sessions in Spring 2025.

## SIZE AND MEDIUM LIMITATIONS

- *Maximum Size: 18" x 24" on Acid-Free Paper of Any Type.*
- *Accepted mediums include Graphite, Charcoal: black, white, compressed, and vine, and Conte Crayons: Black, White, Sanguine, Bistre, and Silverpoint.*
- *Drawings using colored pastels, ink, ink wash, or colored pencils cannot be accepted.*

## SUBMISSION

- *One entry per person. Received by 9:00 pm, April 30, 2025, by Course Instructor or Open Figure Drawing Proctor.*
- *Do not sign on the front of the drawing. Creators must remain anonymous to the juror to avoid bias.*
- *Print the creator's first and last name, medium, and drawing date lightly in pencil on the back, upper right-hand corner.*
- *Works signed on the front will be displayed but not considered for prizes.*

**EXHIBITION – Department of Art PROJECT SPACE MAY 8<sup>TH</sup> – MAY 21**

**RECEPTION – MAY 15<sup>TH</sup> 5:00 – 7:00 pm AWARDS: 6:30 pm**

- Artwork may be picked up at the project space on May 22nd and 23rd between 10 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

## PURCHASE AWARDS

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| • Best Student Figure Drawing                  | \$ 125.00 |
| • Honorable Mention Student Figure Drawing     | \$ 100.00 |
| • Best Public Open Figure Drawing              | \$ 125.00 |
| • Honorable Mention Public Open Figure Drawing | \$ 100.00 |

*Judging & Announcement of Awards by phone and email, Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>  
The juror will remain anonymous until the awards are decided*

## NOTES

- Winning drawings become the property of the AANR Education Foundation and will be featured in its Annual Art Raffle, which supports student scholarships, educational programs, and grants.
- Winning entries will be used in promotional materials and media for the Educational Foundation.
- Award winners aged 18 and over will receive a one-year Individual Membership to the AANR.