

Independence Sicilian Heritage Festival Independence, Louisiana

2026 Art Poster Contest Rules

The Independence Sicilian Heritage Festival is pleased to announce that entries are now being accepted for the 2026 Art Poster Contest from participants of all ages.

Below are the rules for the 2026 Contest:

1. All entries must be complete and suitable for reproduction.
2. Only original art will be considered; reproductions are not eligible.
3. The artwork should not have been entered in any previous contests.
4. No logos of any kind, including The Independence Sicilian Heritage Festival logo, may appear in the design.
5. The words Independence Sicilian Heritage Festival and the festival date, March 13, 14 and 15, 2026 must appear as part of the poster.
6. No overlays are allowed.
7. Overall poster size (image plus border) must be at least 16" x 20" but no larger than 18"x 24".
8. Entries may be in any medium, so long as it is readily reproducible in full color.
9. Artwork must be mounted, either on foam board or poster board, or must be framed and able to stand erect for judging purposes.
10. Oil, acrylics, and any other media must be completely dry.
11. Artist is responsible for protecting image surface.
12. All entries must have the Entry Form attached. Failure to comply will result in disqualification. *There* is no entry fee.
13. Artist must sign his or her work.
14. Entries will be judged on its ability to capture the spirit and essence of this premier festival event. Keep in mind that the poster art is usually displayed in a business or home.
15. The deadline for entry is 4pm Wednesday, January 7, 2026. No entries will be accepted after this time and date.
16. All decisions and judging is final.
17. The winner will be notified by Friday, January 9, 2026 via E-mail/Text and Telephone.
18. The winner shall receive Cash Prize of \$500.00 (Five hundred dollars) and a Framed signed and numbered poster.
19. The winning poster will be reproduced in full color.
20. The winning original artwork and all image reproduction rights become property of The Independence Sicilian Heritage Festival.
21. All Non-Winning Posters will be returned to Artist Pending Signed Consent with Conditions as Per I.S.H.F Board.
22. The Independence Sicilian Heritage Festival producers, festival staff, production staff, and/or festival board members are excluded from this contest.