



## CALL FOR ARTISTS

Photography Competition and Exhibition  
Presented by Clayton Visual Arts (CVA)

# CLAYTON VISUAL ARTS INVITES YOU TO ENTER CAPTURING CLAYTON 2026

## PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION AND EXHIBITION

"Capturing Clayton 2026" will feature the talents of local photographers (of all levels) as they snap images of the beautiful town of Clayton and its surrounding areas. Accepted entries will be displayed in The Clayton Center for the month of May.

Awards totaling \$1,000.

1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$700\*

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$150

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$100

Honorable Mention: \$50

*\*First Place winner is a Purchase Award. CVA will present the winning artwork to the Town of Clayton.*

## Rules and Eligibility

1. "Capturing Clayton 2026" is open to professional and amateur photographers.
2. Photographers do not have to be Clayton residents.
3. Photographers must be high school age or older.
4. Competition is open to photography that is traditional, digital, and digitally altered.
5. CVA reserves the right to disqualify any work whose content does not meet generally accepted community standards of good taste.
6. Only 100% complete applications will be accepted. Incomplete applications will be returned and will need to be resubmitted.
7. Photographers may enter up to three entries.
8. All photographic images must be for sale.
9. All photographic images must be the work of the exhibiting photographer.
10. Photography must be wired (no sawtooth hangers) and ready to hang; cannot exceed 35 pounds.
11. All pieces must be labeled with artwork title and photographer's name on the back.
12. The photographs will be judged by a panel of Clayton's Town Council and Town of Clayton employees.
13. All images must be hand delivered to the Clayton Center. No mailed images will be accepted.
14. Clayton Visual Arts and The Clayton Center are not responsible for loss or damage of images. Photographers should insure their work if they desire.
15. If you have any questions about the rules or eligibility, please email [info@claytonvisualarts.org](mailto:info@claytonvisualarts.org)

## Sales

Clayton Visual Arts handles art sales from this exhibit and receives 30% commission on all sales of entries. Artists are responsible for sales tax on works sold.

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## Calendar

- Wednesday, April 22  
Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than this date to be accepted.
- Friday, April 24  
Deadline for online entry and/or changes to submitted entries.
- Friday, May 1, 9:00 am-10:00am  
Deliver artwork to The Clayton Center  
111 E. Second St, Clayton  
Check-in with Leslie Churchill in the front lobby area.  
(Hanging begins at 10:00am)
- Thursday, May 7  
Free reception 6-7:30pm to announce winners and honor recipients.
- Monday, June 1  
Pick up artwork before 10:00am



## Entry Information

Entry fees:  
\$20 - CVA members  
\$35 - Non CVA member  
\$10 - Full-time High School/College Student

Mail completed entry form and check to  
Clayton Visual Arts, Inc.  
PO Box 698  
Clayton, NC 27528



Entry Form  
**CAPTURING CLAYTON 2026**  
PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION & EXHIBITION

Name	
Address	
City, State, Zip	
Phone	
Email	

Entry 1 – Artwork Title	
Frame Size:	Sale Price:
Entry 2 – Artwork Title (optional)	
Frame Size:	Sale Price:
Entry 3 – Artwork Title (optional)	
Frame Size:	Sale Price:

Is the person submitting the application a CVA member?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

I have read and agree with the Competition Rules.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Important: The entry fee must be received for your entry to be considered.