

SOYBEAN ART COMPETITION



Description of Competition

The Indiana Soybean Alliance will be celebrating “The Art and Nature of Fun” theme during the 2024 Indiana State Fair and has announced an art competition in partnership with the Brooks Lamb Foundation for the Arts in Lebanon, Indiana. This competition is open to anyone 18 years and older who are residents of Indiana. Each entrant may submit one (1) or two (2) works, which must be original in concept and execution, using soybeans in their piece. This could include, but not limited to soybeans, soybean crayons, soy wax, soy fabric. 3D and flat pieces will be accepted. Medium can include oil, acrylic, mixed media, fiber, sculpture, etc. Artists are encouraged to get creative with their use of soybeans in their piece.

Helpful Resources:

<https://soynewuses.org/>

<https://www.soybiobased.org/>

Soy Crayons – Prang brand or <https://www.crayonrocks.com/>

Make your own soy plastic: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=js1jDdefcNU>

Entry Fee

\$60 per work. All entry fees will be donated directly to the Brooks Lamb Foundation for the Arts, which will go to support students in Art Education. Entry fee is non-refundable.

Awards selected by judges

- **\$600 - BEST of SHOW Award** (becomes property of the Indiana Soybean Alliance to be displayed with artist name and bio at the Glass Barn at the Indiana State Fairgrounds). There is an opportunity to opt out of this award.

MERIT Awards for BEST in Category

- **\$200 best use of soybeans, soy product or soy medium**
- **\$200 best representation of Indiana agriculture**

People's Choice

- **\$150 – One people's choice award. Winners of the categories above plus 5-10 additional works will be selected to be displayed at the Glass Barn during the 2024 Indiana State Fair where fairgoers will be asked to vote for People's choice. People's choice winner will receive \$150.**

All finalists will receive four state fair tickets and a fair family fun pack.

Entry Due Date:

All entries must be submitted using the online form by June 1, 2024.

Judging

Judging will take place mid-June. All finalists for the awards will be invited to attend the Indiana Soybean Alliance Glass Barn reception at the State Fairgrounds, August 1 from 5-8 p.m. and awards will be announced.

Finalists will be required to mail or drop their works at the Indiana Soybean Alliance office prior to July 12, 2024. 8425 Keystone Crossing, Suite 200, Indianapolis, Indiana 46240.

Criteria for judging will include Creativity and Originality, Execution, Theme Relevance, Aesthetic Appeal, Overall impact.

Timeline

April 1 - Contest opens

June 1 - Entries submitted electronically

Mid-June – Judging

Week of June 17th – Finalists notified

By July 12 – Finalists pieces dropped off or shipped to the ISA offices in Indianapolis. 8425 Keystone Crossing, Indianapolis IN 46240

August 1 – Finalists art pieces displayed during Glass Barn reception at the Indiana State Fairgrounds 5-8 p.m. Artists invited to attend. Winners announced

August 2-18 – Photo images of finalists displayed at the Glass Barn during the Indiana State Fair. People's choice voting by fairgoers

August 18 - People's choice award announcement

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY:

The greatest care will be taken in the handling of all entries; however, as a condition of entry each artist releases and forever discharges the Indiana Soybean Alliance and its employees, agents, officers, trustees and volunteers from any and all liability whatsoever, including the Indiana Soybean Alliance's own negligence, for any and all damages, losses to any works of art entered in the ISA Soybean Art Competition, including but not limited to any claims, demands, actions, causes of action, damages, costs, expenses and attorneys' fees. Due to high traffic at the Glass Barn and risks of damage during the fair, ISA will display high resolution photographs of the finalist's artwork during the Indiana State Fair.

NOTICE OF AGREEMENT:

If you DO NOT want your work considered for Best of Show, which becomes property of the Indiana Soybean Alliance, please indicate this on the entry form. Submission of a work to this contest shall be understood to indicate an agreement on the part of the artist with all conditions set forth.

By submitting your work, photo/bio of artist and artwork may be used for marketing purposes by Indiana Soybean Alliance or the Brooks Lamb Foundation to media outlets, on traditional and digital platforms including social media and websites. Images of all artwork submitted may also be used for Indiana Soybean Alliance promotional materials with artist identified. Each winning artist will be required to fill out an IRS W-9 form in order to receive the prize from ISA.

Questions?

Contact Ben Linder, Indiana Soybean Alliance consumer outreach manager at blinder@indianasoybean.com

About the Indiana Soybean Alliance- *The Indiana Soybean Alliance works to enhance the viability of Indiana soybean farmers through the effective and efficient investment of soybean checkoff funds that protect and promote the interest of Indiana soybean farmers. The ISA works to assist soybean farmers through its strategic initiatives of market development; environmental, education and economic sustainability; value creation and producer engagement. ISA is led by an elected, farmer board that directs investments of the soybean checkoff funds on behalf of more than 20,000 Indiana soybean farmers. Learn more at www.indianasoybean.com*

About the Glass Barn - *Unveiled by Indiana Soybean Alliance and Indiana's soybean farmers at the 2013 Indiana State Fair, the Glass Barn is the premier destination for soybean farming education.*

Open to the public each year during the Indiana State Fair – and to school groups the rest of the year – the Glass Barn allows visitors to video chat with Indiana farmers. Visitors can also make use of touchscreen displays and games. The Glass Barn is also a resource destination for teachers, providing educational programs throughout the year for preschool age children to high school seniors. Learn more at www.glassbarn.org

About the Brooks Lamb Foundation for the Arts- *The Brooks Lamb Foundation was founded by Ed Lamb to honor the spirit and legacy of his beloved daughter. The foundation's Mission focuses on celebrating students seeking to explore their talents in the visual and performing arts. Through activities such as painting, orchestra, band, or dance, students in the arts can find their passion and expression in meaningful ways. This foundation was created to support students with financial need or compelling hardship to provide assistance in their creative exploration.*

Students who participate in the arts find a sense of community and belonging, all while improving their academic performance. Exposure to the arts sparks students' creative thinking and enhances their ability to innovate and think broadly. The arts also inspire and foster creativity, kindness, and to find beauty in the everyday...This inspiration came natural for Brooks and was her essence. Learn more at www.brookslambfoundation.com