

*The Pass Christian Chamber of Commerce proudly presents
The 33rd Annual*

CHRISTMAS IN THE PASS

ART CONTEST 2018 GUIDELINES

BACKGROUND

The Pass Christian Chamber is accepting submissions from visual and graphic artists for the 2018 Christmas in the Pass (CITP) celebration. No entry fee is required to participate.

Christmas in the Pass is one of Pass Christian's longest-running events. This year will mark our 33rd year of fun, and our organizing committee has already started working to make it the festive, family-friendly event that our community has come to anticipate as the kick-off to the holiday season on the Gulf Coast! We are especially proud to have been named as one of the Top 20 Events in the Southeast by the Southeast Tourism Society and one of the Top 100 Events in the U.S. by the American Bus Association.

Mark your calendars for the 33rd Annual Christmas in the Pass!

Friday, December 7, 2018

5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Downtown Pass Christian, Mississippi

Artists, please note:

- The deadline for this year's contest is **Wednesday, September 5 by 5:00 p.m.** See "DATES AND DEADLINES" below for more details.
- Artwork will be on display for public feedback. This is a way of getting the community involved in the process and building awareness and excitement for the event and for the artwork that represents it. The artwork will be on display at The Peoples Bank in Pass Christian, where the public is invited to view the art and vote for their favorite work. This vote is considered as part of the selection process, but the final decision is made by the Christmas in the Pass Art Selection Committee. Please see "ADJUCATION" below for the criteria the committee uses in making their decision.
- Please DO NOT include any dates, writing, or words on the image. See "SPECIFICATIONS" below for other art guidelines before you create your image.

Thank you for participating!

DATES AND DEADLINES

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING ART ENTRIES IS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 AT 5:00PM.

Drop-off: Entries must be delivered to the Pass Christian Chamber Of Commerce's local office, located inside The Peoples Bank at the corner of 2nd Street and Davis Avenue in Pass Christian, during the bank's normal business hours: Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. They may also be delivered to the Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce's office located at 11975 Seaway Road, Suite B-120, Gulfport, MS 39503.

Judging: The winning art will be selected during the second week of September and all artists will be notified of the results in the following weeks after.

The artist will be invited to participate in Christmas in the Pass as our featured artist.

ELIGIBILITY

All artists are invited to submit artwork for consideration.

ADJUDICATION

The winning entry will be the one that is judged to best capture the spirit and essence of Christmas in Pass Christian. The winning art's most important job is to be an attractive t-shirt that participants will want to buy. The art will also be used in advertising, promotions, websites, and on merchandise items (cards, aprons, posters, etc).

A panel of judges appointed by the CITP committee will select the winner. The Pass Christian Chamber is not obligated to use any of the submitted entries. The decision of the judges is final.

SPECIFICATIONS

1. Overall art size (image) must be must be at least 16" x 20" but no larger than 18" x 24".
2. Only original artwork on paper/canvas will be accepted.
3. Mediums allowed are: oil, acrylic, watercolor, pastel, pencil, charcoal. Mixing mediums is acceptable.
4. Actual artwork must be submitted, no slides.
5. All entries must be camera ready for suitable reproduction.
6. Artwork must not have been previously selected in any other program contests, or have been used commercially.
7. Limited to two (2) entries per artist.
8. Do not include any dates, writing, or words on the image.

9. Do not sign work, so that judging may be anonymous. The winning artist will sign work prior to printing.
10. Artwork should be mounted on foam board or poster board, as well as covered so as to protect the artwork. (shrink wrap, wax paper, etc.) It must stand up on its own for judging. Oil and acrylics must be completely dry. Artist is responsible for protecting image surface.
11. All artwork becomes the property of Christmas in the Pass.
12. All entries must have the Entry Form (below) attached to the back of the artwork.

AWARDS

The selected artist receives acknowledgement in all printed materials and media for the entire year, 2 free Christmas in the Pass shirts, free booth and an honorarium of \$150. The artist will also be invited to participate in Christmas in the Pass as our featured artist.

The Pass Christian Chamber will retain sole possession and all legal rights to the original artwork selected, including all reproduction and photographic rights, with credit for the artwork being given to the artist in all accompanying materials.

BENEFIT

Proceeds from the sale of merchandise will be used to offset the cost of the event of Christmas in the Pass.

CONTACT

If you have questions, please contact the Pass Christian Chamber of Commerce director, Gabrielle Rose, at grose@mscoastchamber.com or (228) 604.0014.

CHRISTMAS IN THE PASS ART CONTEST

Entry Form *(Affix to the back of artwork)*

Please print all information:

Name_____

Phone_____ Alternate #_____

Address_____

City, State, Zip_____

Email_____

I agree to all contest rules and that, should I win, my original artwork and all image reproduction rights will become the property of the Pass Christian Chamber of Commerce. I certify that all work submitted is my original work.

Signature_____ Date_____

Deliver entries to:

Pass Christian Chamber of Commerce

Care of Peoples Bank

301 East 2nd Street (Corner of Davis Avenue)

Pass Christian, MS 39571

May be dropped off during normal bank business hours, Monday- Friday 8:30am-5pm.

Or to:

Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce

Pass Christian Chamber of Commerce

11975 Seaway Road, Suite B-120

Gulfport, MS 39503

May be dropped off during normal business hours, Monday- Thursday 9:00 a.m.-5p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.