

Call for Artists - USAFA Women Art Exhibit

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Celebrate the Legacy. Share the Vision. Tell the Story.

In 2026, the United States Air Force Academy will mark a historic milestone: 50 years of women as part of the Long Blue Line. We invite you to share original artwork that captures the experiences, accomplishments, and enduring legacy of USAFA women—through the power of art.

Who Can Submit

Open to USAFA women and those meaningfully connected to their 50-year journey—whether through family, community, or professional ties. Artwork or the accompanying artist statement should demonstrate a personal connection to at least one USAFA woman.

Key Dates

- Submission Deadline: October 31, 2025
- Artist Notifications: December 8–15, 2025 all participants will be notified of jury results
- Digital Exhibit Launch: April 23–26, 2026
- Extended Display at USAFA: April October 2026

Where Your Work Will Be Seen

Selected artwork will be included in a multi-platform exhibit, with wide visibility throughout and beyond the USAFA Women celebration in April 2026:

- Displayed in a digital gallery on the USAFA Women website (available for at least one year)
- Presented as part of a digital slideshow during the April 2026 Celebration at Arnold Hall and Polaris Hall, USAFA (April 23–26, 2026)
- Shown in a looping digital display in the celebration lobby area; some works may also be printed (up to 11" × 14") to complement digital presentations

• Exhibited as a curated selection in the Fairchild Hall Art Gallery, with curation by USAFA faculty. The gallery is open to cadets, faculty, staff, and visitors

How to Submit

- 1. Read instructions and complete the entry form on USAFA-Women.org website -- https://www.usafa-women.org/artist-call
- 2. Upload your artwork image(s) and optional detail shots
- 3. Submit your artist statement and optional sales information

What to Submit

We welcome original artwork in any medium that can be clearly and accurately captured in a high-quality image suitable for digital display and an 11x14" print.

- Submit images for up to 3 artworks
- For each artwork, include 1 required overall image and up to 2 optional detail images
- Maximum file size: 25 MB per image
- · Accepted file types: JPG, PNG, or TIFF
- Aspect Ratio: Flexible (depends on the artwork)
- Recommended image size: Longest side around 3000-3600 pixels (300 dpi).
- If your work includes Al-generated elements, please note this clearly in your submission

Selection Criteria

Submissions will be evaluated based on:

- Originality (or permitted derivative work)
- Connection to theme
- Creativity and impact
- Technical quality
- Respectful and appropriate for public display

Sales Option

USAFA Women organization does not sell artwork or facilitate transactions.

Artists may mark their work "For Sale" and include contact information. All sales must be handled directly between the artist and buyer.

If your piece sells through exhibit exposure, we invite you to consider a voluntary 10% donation to support USAFA Women's nonprofit programs and future creative efforts.

Artists Rights and Use

By submitting, artists confirm they are the creator and copyright holder of the work and grant USAFA Women a non-exclusive, royalty-free license to display submitted images (with credit) for exhibit and promotional purposes related to the 50-Year Celebration.

Artists retain full ownership and copyright of their work. Watermarked or lower-resolution images are accepted upon request.

We can't wait to see what you share!