



# Shooting Stars Tips for: Three-Dimensional Art Portfolio Submissions

## 1) BE PROFESSIONAL

- Keep up-to-date with your calendar.
- Prepare, thoroughly proof-read, and submit all materials on time. Don't wait until the last minute!
- Communicate with your nominating teacher throughout the process.

## 2) SUBMIT A COMPLETE PORTFOLIO

- Use the Portfolio Submission Form to complete the components below:
  - Portfolio Consideration for Nerman Museum Exhibition
  - Portfolio Consideration for elementia Publication
  - Artwork Information and Images
- Choose yes or no to have or not to have your Artwork Portfolio considered for publication in the Johnson County Library's annual elementia publication
- Prepare three (3) artworks for Nerman Museum exhibition consideration
- Provide artwork information and ten (10) images representing five artworks (2 images/artwork):
  - All five (5) artworks will be eligible for scholarship consideration
  - Only three (3) of the five artworks will be eligible for Nerman Museum Exhibition consideration.
  - The Nerman Museum Staff will select one artwork from each Finalist for the Exhibition that opens at the same time as the Gala
- Carefully review the Scholarship Guidelines for your arts category before selecting which artworks to include in portfolio (use link to Scholarship Guidelines in your category's Finalist Program Packet on Shooting Stars website).

## 3) FOLLOW RUBRIC, GUIDELINES, AND IMAGE REQUIREMENTS

- Choose artwork selections carefully. Here's what to consider when selecting Portfolio artworks:
  - self-expression/originality
  - craftsmanship/technique
  - materials
  - design/composition (spatial & color perception and conceptual awareness)
- Remember: all five (5) artworks will be for scholarship consideration but only three of the five will be considered for the Shooting Stars Exhibition at the Nerman Museum.
- Identify (and list in the correct section of the Portfolio Submission Form) which three of the five artworks you want considered for the Nerman Museum Exhibition (important: see size restrictions for Nerman Exhibition artwork in the Guidelines.) Note: failure to meet actual artwork size restrictions will result in disqualification from the Shooting Stars Program
- Create two photos/images for each artwork that will best represent each artwork in the Digital Image Portfolio you submit.
- Consider lighting, artwork positioning and distance from camera to artwork when creating the image.
- Position artwork to produce images that best reflect quality and design technique for each artwork. Avoid positioning/lighting that produces shadows and glare that can hide/misrepresent true quality of artwork.
- Images may be edited to represent the clearest, most accurate and best representation of each artwork. Photoshop or other editing software may be used, i.e. IPHOTO or PIXA for PC's.
- Images must be .jpg or .zip file type, 90-120 dpi (120 dpi is preferred).
- Image file size can be no larger than 8MB.
- Questions about creating a digital image for each artwork? Talk with your nominating teacher about how to best do this. Remember to consider lighting, artwork positioning and distance from camera to artwork when creating the image

## 4) CONTACT THE ARTS COUNCIL WITH ANY QUESTIONS

- Email [artsjoco@artsjoco.org](mailto:artsjoco@artsjoco.org) any time!
- Call 913-894-2720. The Arts Council answers the phone and returns voicemails Monday-Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.