

RAL Juried Members' Winter Show

December 7, 2025 – January 16, 2026

Glenview Mansion Art Gallery

Call for entries: OCTOBER 1 – NOVEMBER 1. *Online submissions only.*

Judge: We are honored that Gonzalo Ruiz Navarro will judge our Juried Members' Winter Show.

Gonzalo Ruiz Navarro is a representational painter based in the Washington, D.C. area, specializing in oils, soft pastels, and drawing. With a Master's in Fine Arts from the University of Valencia and further studies in drawing and painting at various prestigious institutions in Spain, Gonzalo's work is deeply rooted in traditional techniques, which serve as the foundation for his expressive and spontaneous approach to painting. His vibrant work, influenced by the Spanish Impressionist Joaquín Sorolla, is characterized by bold strokes, dynamic gestures, and a passion for capturing the effects of light and color.

Gonzalo's paintings explore themes of landscapes, portraits, and still life, with an emphasis on the emotional power of color and movement. His expressive brushwork and use of vibrant colors infuse his work with energy and life, creating compositions that are both visually engaging and full of atmosphere.

He has exhibited widely, including solo exhibitions in Spain, the U.S., and Pakistan, where his work is part of the permanent collection at the Pakistan National Council for the Arts. Gonzalo's accolades include multiple awards in international competitions, and his work has been featured in "The New York Times" as well as various newspapers and TV channels in Pakistan.

With over 29 years of experience teaching at high school and art school levels, as well as internationally through workshops, Gonzalo brings a student-centered approach to his teaching. He emphasizes the importance of technical proficiency, particularly in drawing, color theory, and composition, while encouraging students to develop their personal artistic voice.

On Exhibit: This juried show will be on display in person **December 7 through January 16** at Glenview Mansion Art Gallery (603 Edmonston Dr./Rockville) with the virtual show available on our website. Prizes awarded on **Sunday, Dec. 7, 2:00pm at Glenview.**

Please read all the information below carefully.

Call Deadline: *Members in good standing* may submit up to **two (2) pieces** of work to be considered by the judge for inclusion in this show **beginning October 1** through **Saturday, November 1.** No submissions will be accepted after the deadline.

- This is NOT a themed show. We have 2 large, juried member shows a year, one in winter and one in spring. You may enter up to 2 pieces of your best work that have not been accepted in a RAL Juried Members' Show to be considered for inclusion.

If your work is accepted into this show, you will be informed **by Monday, Nov. 10** with delivery of artwork on **Tuesday, Dec. 2**. Please note that the amount of time to frame your work is brief, especially with the Thanksgiving holiday.

Entry Fee: A flat \$10 show fee will be collected **from artists that have their work accepted into this show** (not per piece).

IMPORTANT! By submitting work into this show, *you are agreeing to the terms of the Show Agreement* listed here:

“I agree to the rules of the show as presented in this show call and the schedule below, that my entries are my original works and have not been accepted into a previous **Rockville Art League Juried Members’ Show**. I will not hold the Rockville Art League (RAL), Glenview Mansion, or the City of Rockville responsible for any possible loss or damage to my entries. As with any show, I understand that all reasonable care will be taken in the handling of my artwork. I give RAL, Glenview Mansion, and the City of Rockville permission to use images of my artwork and publish them as appropriate. I acknowledge a commitment to donate 20% of the sale price of my work, if sold during this show at Glenview to the City of Rockville.”

Eligibility and rules: The following rules apply for all works entered.

- Each *member in good standing* may enter *up to two (2) pieces by the deadline*.
- **How to enter:** *submit your entries using your PERSONAL LINK and PASSWORD* that has been or will be emailed to you *by the end of September*. Entries of *up to 2 pieces per artist for consideration* by the judge may be submitted by **Saturday, November 1**.
- **For each submission:** you will be required to include: the **title, medium, dimensions** (note: depth is for sculpture only!), and **market price** (NOT wholesale price!) (If the piece is Not for Sale, please leave blank and you will be contacted to confirm this) and **submit an image** (jpeg or jpg.) of your piece. The mat or the frame (or glass, glare, wall, furniture, etc.) should NOT be visible in the image you submit. Just the artwork itself.
- **If your work is accepted into this show:** a \$10 show fee per artist (not per piece) will be collected at that time.
- RAL retains the right to determine suitability of work for entry in this show.

Artwork requirements: If your work is accepted into this show, *each 2-D piece must be ready for hanging*, gallery-wrapped or framed or professionally finished, **securely wired** by Tuesday, Dec. 2.

- The maximum measurement of any framed side is **48 inches**.
- Only **original** works **framed securely with hanging wire** are acceptable. (NO sawtooth hangers or such.) If submitting unframed canvas, edges should be painted or finished.
- **NO WET PAINT** is allowed.
- The **entries may NOT have been exhibited** previously in a **RAL Juried Members’ Show**.
- All artists are encouraged to sign their work on either the front or back.
- Entries not meeting the show conditions will not be accepted.
- All work must remain up until the end of the show.
- **Sales:** If any work sells while on display at Glenview, the artist agrees to donate 20% of the sales price to the City of Rockville as specified in the **Show Agreement** above.

Categories of Artwork Include:

- Oils and acrylics
- Watercolors
- Pastels, drawings, and hand-pulled prints
- Mixed media, collage, experimental, and original computer-generated art
- Photographs
- Sculpture and ceramics

Awards:

- Best in Show (cash prize)
- First, Second, Third in all categories (cash prizes)

- Honorable Mention at Judge's Discretion

Schedule:

- **October 1 - November 1** - you may enter up to two (2) pieces for consideration online using the link that will be sent to you by the end of Sept. Up to two (2) pieces per artist.
- **Saturday, November 1** – **Deadline for submissions**
- **Monday, November 10** – notification of acceptances sent out to all members by this date. A show fee of \$10 (per artist) will be collected from those whose work is accepted into the show at that time.
- **TUESDAY, Dec. 2**– **delivery of accepted artwork** at Glenview, **10:00am-1:00pm**; if your work is accepted into this show, you or your designee must deliver your work during this time. The judge will award prizes based on an in-person view that afternoon.
- **Sunday, December 7, 1:30-3:30pm, Meet the Artists Opening** at Glenview Mansion. The judge will award prizes at **2:00pm** with remarks about the work. He will also be available during the afternoon to talk with artists.
- **The week of December 8:** A zoom video of the judge discussing his awards choices will be sent out to all members once it is ready.
- **TUESDAY, January 20** - **pick up artwork** 10:00am-1:00pm. You or your designee must pick up your work on this date.

Please note: *Members in good standing** will have their personal link and password emailed to them by the LAST WEEK of September. **PLEASE SAVE IT.** It will be the same one you use to enter all RAL shows this year.

**If you paid your dues for Sept. 1, 2025 – Aug. 31, 2026, you are a member in good standing.*

PLEASE: *if you are unsure of your membership status, ask us!*

You will use your personal link/password that has or will be sent to you at the end of September to enter your work in the show. **Entries accepted October 1 – November 1.** Be sure to type in the information specified in this note for your entries carefully and clearly.

This information will be used to contact you and to create the virtual show and the labels.

Note: When you submit work, *if you entered artwork in the past several RAL Shows*, you may see the images of those pieces. They are marked appropriately for those shows within the system.

If you need help, **please ask ahead of the deadline!**

You may enter work for this show **October 1 through November 1.**

Deadline for all entries is **Saturday, November 1.**

Notifications of acceptances will be sent out to all members and posted on the Rockville Art League website **by November 10.** This call for entries will be also posted on the website.

Questions regarding the show? Need help or support with the entry process?

Please contact:

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