

2025 TIMELINE OF ACTIVITIES

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Timeline	Director's Showcase Activity
November	Announcement of the annual art contest , including the guidelines, entry form, release form and other pertinent information is distributed.
January 31	Deadline for the submission of the artwork and forms. January 19 for DCS to be delivered to designated DMH site or Provider Agency to be delivered to JC.
February 19-20	Artwork submissions are judged by community volunteers. <i>Winners will be announced, and cash awards mailed within two weeks after judging. The purchase of artwork will also be available while the artwork is on display for judging.</i>
February/March	Artwork is selected for the annual Traveling Showcase. <i>Making the artwork available for public viewing is one way we can help reduce stigma and raise awareness of issues impacting individuals and families living with mental illness, developmental disabilities, and substance use disorders.</i>
February/March	Notification to Artists: Traveling Showcase Artwork – <i>letters are sent to the artists and facility contact persons notifying them their artwork was selected for the annual Traveling Showcase. The notification will state the artwork will be retained until after the last traveling show in 2025.</i>
March	Pictures will be taken of each piece of art and will be put available for viewing on the virtual art gallery on our website.
May 1	Artwork will be on display and for sale at the Mental Health Champions' Award Banquet—held on May 1, 2025. <i>Payments will be made to every artist by the end of May if the artwork was sold.</i>
June	Arrangements are underway to return the artwork <u>not</u> included in the Traveling Show. Arrangements are made with various sites throughout MO to display the Artwork. <i>Some artwork is returned via a mail delivery company, while larger and more delicate pieces are returned by DMH, or facility/organization staff based on their travels to the general location of the artist. Please note that if there are multiple contacts at facilities, all artwork for that location will be returned to ONE contact.</i>
June – October	Traveling Showcase Artwork is displayed at multiple venues throughout Missouri starting in June.
November	Initiate the process for 2026 Director's Creativity Showcase entries
End of November	Arrangements are underway to return the artwork from the prior year's Traveling Showcase.

Event sponsored by MMHF and DMH. For questions, please contact the Missouri Mental Health Foundation at (573) 635-9201 or mmhf@missourimhf.org.

