



State Arts and Sculpture Festival – 2024

The Department of Cultural Affairs implements various cultural programs for the sustenance and promotion of our culture and the State Arts and Sculpture Festival is one of the key components therein. With the objective of identifying the contemporary trends of this field and for the possible intervention to be made, applications for the **State Arts and Sculpture Festival – 2024** are accepted from 20th March 2024 to 25th July 2024. This festival is organized by the Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs, the Department of Cultural Affairs and the State Advisory Council of Visual Arts.

In case of a drawing, a compact disc which contains 02 clear photographs of the drawing and a passport size photograph of the relevant applicant should be sent along with the duly filled application and in case of sculptures and installations, a compact disc which contains 04 photographs i.e. front, back and the two side views of the sculpture/installation and a passport size photograph of the relevant applicant should be sent along with the duly filled application. (Photographs should be 300dpi resolution). The information contain in the CD should also be sent via Email statevisulartboard@gmail.com.

Applications along with CDs should be sent by registered post or delivered by hand to Secretary, State Advisory Council of Visual Arts, Department of Cultural Affairs, 8th Floor, Sethsiripaya, Battaramulla. “**State Arts and Sculpture Festival – 2024**” should be written on the top left-hand corner of the envelope.

Preliminary evaluations of the creations (Compact Discs) will be done by a proficient Panel of Judges using a multimedia projector and the applicants so selected will be informed to submit the original creation, suitably prepared for display, to the National Art Gallery, Colombo 07, on a due date. All such creations so selected will be evaluated again by a proficient Panel of Judges. Winners will be presented with awards, certificates and cash prizes. Winning creations will be displayed at the Exhibition of the **State Arts and Sculpture Festival – 2024**.

Rules and Regulations

1. The competition is open for any person above 18 years of age.
2. The artworks that was created during 2020 to 2023 can only be presented.
3. You could use any theme of your choice.
4. You could use any color medium of your choice.
5. You could present only one artwork under a single category.
6. Any single artwork could not be presented under several categories and the relevant category should be mentioned correctly. (You should be responsible for any inconsistency between the category you have mentioned and the art work.)
7. The maximum size of the artwork should be Height- 8 feet, Width- 8 feet, and Length- 8 feet.
8. The exact height, width and the length of the artwork should be mentioned correctly.
9. Information should be clearly and correctly mentioned in Sinhala, Tamil or English in your application. Applications with unclear, incorrect or incomplete information will be rejected.
10. The CD should contain only the photographs of the artwork and a photograph of the applicant. If not, such applications will be rejected.
11. The photographs of the CD should be in at least 300dpi resolution.
12. CDs should be submitted separately for each category. The name, address, signature and the telephone number should be mentioned clearly on the reverse of the CD.
13. The photographs of your artwork will be evaluated by a proficient Panel of Judges in the first round. The originals of so selected works will be brought for a review and then presented for display. Those artworks will be returned to you.
14. You should remove your artwork from the Exhibition Hall on the day after the Exhibition. The Department will not be responsible for any artwork that is not removed on due date.
15. The owner of the artwork should be present compulsorily at the time of handing over and returning of artworks at the Exhibition Hall, taking to the Hall and preparing for display.
16. The decision of the Panel of Judges shall be the final.



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Further details could be obtained from the Cultural Officers of the District/Divisional Secretariats throughout the island and the Facebook of the Department of Cultural Affairs.