

Lucien Kapp Art Competition at the James Millikin Homestead

Official Rules and Guidelines

1. Eligibility

- We will be accepting up to 40 adult submissions and up to 10 high school age submissions.

2. Theme

- There is no specific theme, however, all artwork should be family-friendly

3. Artwork Specifications

- Medium: Painting, using any of the following: oil, acrylic, gouache, watercolor
- Size: Must be able to be displayed on a standard easel or tabletop easel, and the frame should be no bigger than 16x20.
- All submissions must be original works created by the artist and not previously displayed or published, nor can any submission include any AI component.

4. Submission Guidelines

- Enter the competition and pay entry fee by June 30, 2025
- Each participant may submit only one entry
- Each artist must deliver their submission on Saturday, July 12th between 10 am and 2 pm or on Sunday, July 13th between 2 pm and 4 pm, to the James Millikin Homestead - 125 N. Pine St., Decatur, IL 62522 (If you are a college student who needs to drop off your entry earlier, you may contact Jim Wilkerson to arrange a time for drop-off. Please email: jim@jamesmillikinhomestead.com)
- The Homestead will provide easels.

5. Entry Fees

- A non-refundable fee of \$25 is required
- Payment must be made through the form on the JMH website: www.jamesmillikinhomestead.com/lucienkapp

6. Prizes

- These prizes will be awarded:
 - 1st Place: \$500
 - 2nd Place: \$100
 - 3rd Place: \$50
 - Peoples' Choice: \$250
 - High School Winner: \$100

- Additional special prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the judges or sponsors.

7. Copyright and Usage

- By entering the competition, participants grant the organizers the right to use images of their submitted artwork for promotional purposes including but not limited to marketing materials, social media, and exhibition displays. Promotion would include the current year as well as future marketing to help the program grow.
- Artists retain full copyright of their artwork, but agree to allow non-exclusive use for the aforementioned purposes.

8. Important Dates

- Online Entry Deadline: June 30, 2025
- Artists should deliver their artwork on Saturday, July 12th between 10 am and 2 pm or on Sunday, July 13th between 2 and 4 pm, to the James Millikin Homestead - 125 N. Pine St., Decatur, IL 62522
- Public Open Houses on July 26 & 27 from 2 pm to 4 pm (this is when the public will be able to vote on the “peoples’ choice” award)
- Announcement of Winners & Award Ceremony: August 31, 2025, 2-4 PM at the James Millikin Homestead. Artists should take their paintings with them at the conclusion of the event at 4 pm.

9. Liability and Disclaimer

- The organizers are not responsible for any loss or damage to submitted artwork during delivery, exhibition, or return.
- Artists will need to pick up their painting after the award ceremony on August 31st at 4:00 PM. The organizers and the James Millikin Homestead are not liable for any artwork that is not picked up at this time.
- The 1st Place Winner’s artwork will remain displayed at the James Millikin Homestead for a period of one year, until the new winner has been announced in August of 2026.
- By submitting artwork, the participant agrees to these terms and conditions.

10. Contact Information

- For questions, please contact:

Jim Wilkerson
James Millikin Homestead, Inc.
Jim@JamesMillikinHomestead.com

Entry Form

(If you prefer to enter by mail)

Your Name: _____

Your Email: _____

Your Phone: _____

Please Choose One:

_____ Adult Entry _____ High School Entry

By signing below, you are agreeing to the competition terms and conditions.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please write out a \$25 check to: James Millikin Homestead
and mail to:

James Millikin Homestead
Attn: Jim Wilkerson
125 North Pine St.
Decatur, IL 62522