

# Winter Art at Volo Bog State Natural Area

A Celebration of Winter with an Art Show and Silent Auction

## January 21 – February 28

Artists' Reception on Saturday, February 28

### Criteria:

- Subject: Any portrayal of NATURE in *winter as it occurs in our area*. 2026
- Medium: All forms of art are considered
- Size: Not to exceed 5' in any dimension
- Weight: Not to exceed 40 lbs.
- Number: Up to three items per artist

### Pre-qualification Submission:

- Email to [dnr.volobog@illinois.gov](mailto:dnr.volobog@illinois.gov)
  - a separate email for each work –  
Maximum THREE
    - a **digital image** of each piece (up to four images for three-dimensional works)
    - the subject line stating *Winter Art Submission – Title of Work from Your Name*.
      - For example, *Winter Art Submission, Snowy Pine from Jane Doe*
    - A separate, completed *Show Submission* form for each piece
- Watch for a return email accepting your submission(s).



*The Snowman* by Sanjukta Acharya

### Schedule:



*Cedar Waxwing* by

- Submissions considered via email from December 20 – January 5  
See next page.
- Notification of Acceptance January 3 - 6.
- Deliveries accepted January 7 - 10
- Show Exhibits January 21 – February 28

### \*Visitor Center Hours

9 am – 3 pm, Wed – Sun   Closed Mon/Tue

**Artist Reception, Saturday, February 28, 12:30 – 2:30 pm**

**Please complete and return *this* page with *each* entry.**

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### **Artists' Invite & Submission Form**

By participating, the entrant agrees to grant the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Volo Bog State Natural Area Staff & Volunteers, and the Friends of Volo Bog (the "Sponsors") the right to display the artwork, and to reproduce the entrant's name, likeness, copies of the artwork, or any other image or information for purposes of promotion, publicity and/or display, either now or in the future. Sponsors are under no obligation to provide compensation or notice for any such use. The Sponsors, their agents, and assigns, shall not be liable for any injury or illness to the artist or any damage or loss of the artist's work or other personal property arising out of this exhibit or other activities.

**Use ONE FORM for each entry** (no need to fill address & contact info multiple times).

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age if under 18** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **Second Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title of Work:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Medium:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Size:** \_\_\_\_\_

If work is framed, please have it ready-to-hang with a 5" long or longer wire.

**Estimated Value of Work:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Minimum Bid:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (25% of proceeds go to the Friends of Volo Bog)

**-OR-** Please dedicate (> 25%) \_\_\_\_\_ % to FOVB **OR - Not for Sale/Check Here:** \_\_\_\_\_

**REQUIRED: Tell us the story of your piece:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ attach additional page as desired

**REQUIRED: Please share something you'd like viewers to know about you *as a person and as an artist*:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ attach additional page as desired

**Will you be able to join us for our Artists' Reception on Saturday, February 28?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Bidding closes at 2:00 pm on Saturday, February 28.**

Artists may take unpurchased works, and buyers may take paid works, at the close of bids on February 28.

All transactions are handled by Friends of Volo Bog.

**Waiver Agreement:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree by my signature here that I am responsible for my own insurance and understand that Volo Bog State Natural Area and its affiliates are not responsible for damaged or missing works in a show or exhibit. Further, I authorize the purchaser (as applicable) or \_\_\_\_\_ to pick up my work for this show only. Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian signature if artist is a minor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Piece picked up by** \_\_\_\_\_ **on** \_\_\_\_\_ **Vol/Witness:** \_\_\_\_\_