



The Tipton County Museum,
Veterans Memorial & Nature Center
Presents

“Reflections of a Museum”

An International Art & Photography Virtual Exhibit **2020 Exhibition Prospectus**

The award-winning Tipton County Museum, Veterans Memorial & Nature Center is celebrating its 22nd anniversary on November 11, 2020. In honor of that celebration we are hosting an international art & photography virtual exhibit. Proceeds from this exhibit will go towards preserving military and local history, protecting nature, creating museum exhibits and educating our children.

Message from Tipton County Museum Director Barrie Foster

The year 2020 has been a challenging year not only for the Tipton County Museum, but for the entire world. Because of COVID-19, we are not able to provide any of our numerous programs at the Tipton County Museum, including Veteran of the Month, lecture series, story time, enhancing classroom education programs, and art classes. As with many adversities there lies hidden opportunities, so we created the Tipton County Museum Online Academy, where we bring these programs to you. I am an artist and since becoming Director of the Tipton County Museum six years ago, the Museum has provided an abundant amount of inspiration for me, and I have painted the Museum and its accompanying nature many times. The beauty of the Museum and its grounds were the impetus for creating this exhibit and it is my hope that others see the beauty here and are inspired as well. I am grateful to Mayor Justin Hanson and Rosemary Bridges, who have graciously agreed to judge this year’s entries. I am looking forward to seeing this exhibit!



Our Judges:



Justin Hanson, Mayor of Covington, Tennessee

Justin Hanson was first elected Mayor in November 2014 and was reelected to his second term in November 2018.

As Mayor, he manages seven departments and oversees a \$20 million budget. He has continued focus on investments in public safety, public works, and improving the overall quality of life in Covington.

In 2016, then Tennessee Governor Bill Haslam, appointed Mayor Hanson to serve on Tennessee's Local Government Planning Advisory Committee, where he served as Vice-Chairman before his term expired in June 2020. Mayor Hanson has also completed the Level I and Level II Elected Officials Academy through the Municipal Technical Advisory Service and is a graduate of the University of Tennessee Knoxville's Local Government Leadership Program through the Naifeh Center for Effective Leadership. He serves as the Tennessee Municipal League District 8 Secretary, on both the West Tennessee Mayor's Association and Mid-South Mayor's Council and he is an active member of the Covington Lions Club. He is currently enrolled in the University of Tennessee Certified Public Manager program.

A native of Covington, he is honored to serve as Mayor and in 2015, 2016, and 2017 he was voted "Best of the Best Elected Official" in Tipton County by readers of *The Leader*.

Prior to his election, Justin worked as a reporter and anchor at WMC-5 Action News, the NBC affiliate in Memphis, where he was nominated for an Emmy award.

Justin has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Christian Brothers University in Memphis and plays the piano and serves on the music staff at Covington First United Methodist Church.



Rosemary Bridges, President of the South Tipton County Chamber of Commerce

Rosemary Bridges is the President and Chief Operating Officer of the South Tipton County Chamber of Commerce. She has held this position since 1989, when the Chamber was established. She has successfully grown the organization from its infancy stage to a well-respected and firmly established business with a 300-plus membership. As the sole employee for several years, her vision and desire to promote economic development in the community is impressive. Working closely with government, civic and community leaders, she helped develop a strategic plan to assure the economic progress of the community and the resulting prosperity of the organization she serves.

Rosemary has served as President of the West Tennessee Chamber of Commerce Executives and President of the Tennessee Chamber of Commerce Executives. She has served on the Tennessee Tourism Commission, the Tipton County Education Foundation, Advisory Council of Dyersburg State Community College, Advisory Committee of the Tennessee College of Applied Technology, and Advisory Committee at Baptist Memorial Hospital-Tipton. In partnership with the Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce she coordinates the TOTAL Adult Leadership Program. In 2011 she received the Robert M. Smith Outstanding Leadership Education Award in recognition of her dedication and service to leadership development in Tennessee. In 2014 she was named Woman of the Year at the Women in Business banquet.

Rosemary is a 1992 graduate of the State of Tennessee WestStar Leadership Program and a 1997 graduate of the U. S. Chamber Institute for Organizational Management.

She currently lives in Atoka with her husband, Kenneth. They enjoy spending time with their three children and eight grandchildren.

OCTOBER 16 DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF IMAGES & POSTMARK
DEADLINE FOR ENTRY FORM & ENTRY FEE

NOVEMBER 11 EXHIBITION POSTED ON TIPTONCOUNTYMUSEUM. COM

JUDGES: **JUSTIN HANSON**, MAYOR OF COVINGTON, TN
ROSMARY BRIDGES, PRESIDENT, SOUTH TIPTON
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

ENTRY FEE: Museum members: \$20 (U. S. dollars) per digital image.
Non-members \$45 (U. S. dollars) per digital image (with
optional one-year museum membership)

This exhibit is open to adults age 18 and older and is in conjunction with the Tipton County Museum's 22nd Anniversary on November 11, 2020. There are two categories in this contest; one is (two-dimensional) artwork and the other is photography. **The subject of both categories must be of the Tipton County Museum, something inside the museum, or the grounds.** Artwork may be created using photos from the Museum's website (www.tiptoncountymuseum.com) or the Museum's Facebook page (Tipton County Museum on Facebook). Photographers must visit the property to create their photography. ***Each person may enter only one image in each category.***

CONTEST ENTRY PERIOD: This contest opens at 12:01 a. m. North American Central Standard time (CST) on September 1, 2020 and the final day for digital entry submission is October 16, 2020 at 11:59 p. m. North American Central Daylight Time (CST). All digital images must be emailed to tiptoncountymuseum@covingtontn.com. Entry forms must be downloaded, completed, and sent by mail and must be postmarked by October 16, 2020 at 11:59 p. m. Your entry fee may be mailed along with your entry form, or you may pay directly online through our website. **IF YOUR SUBMISSION IS NOT ACKNOWLEDGED WITHIN ONE WEEK OF MAILING, PLEASE CALL THE TIPTON COUNTY MUSEUM AT (901) 476-0242.**

AWARDS: FOR BOTH CATEGORIES: BEST OF SHOW, 1ST, 2ND, 3RD, BEST CREATIVITY, AND AT LEAST FOUR HONORABLE MENTIONS. CASH IN U. S. DOLLARS WILL BE AWARDED FOR ALL AWARDS EXCEPT HONORABLE MENTIONS. HONORABLE MENTION RECIPIENTS WILL RECEIVE A SIGNED ARTWORK PRINT OF THE TIPTON COUNTY MUSEUM CREATED BY MUSEUM DIRECTOR BARRIE FOSTER, A NATIONALLY AWARD-WINNING ARTIST.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Each person may submit one photo image and one artwork image via email as an attachment in JPG form. Identify digital files with Last Name First Initial_Title_and either "A" for Artwork or "P" for Photography. Example: FosterB_Dreams_A
FosterB_Monarch_P

Artwork images must be set at the highest setting on camera and have a resolution of at least 300 dpi. Photos of artwork should be cropped to exclude mat and frame. Only minor adjustments for color and contrast are allowed for the artwork images.

Photography images may be color or black and white. Photography submitted must be saved in JPG format with a resolution of at least 300 dpi. All photography entries should accurately reflect the subject matter and scene as it appeared. Photos that have been digitally altered beyond standard optimization will be disqualified. Acceptable changes include adjustments to color, contrast, brightness and sharpness, removal of dust and scratches, cropping, and black-and-white conversions.

ELIGIBILITY & MEDIA

ALL ARTWORK MUST BE COMPLETED WITHOUT SUPERVISION OR HELP FROM ANOTHER PERSON. ARTISTS MAY USE REFERENCE PHOTOS FROM THE TIPTON COUNTY MUSEUM'S WEBSITE OR FACEBOOK PAGE IN CREATING THEIR ARTWORK. PHOTOGRAPHERS MUST TAKE PHOTOS ON THE MUSEUM PROPERTY.

ACCEPTABLE ART MEDIA: ACRYLIC, WATERCOLOR, COLLAGE, MIXED MEDIA, OIL, CHALK/FRENCH PASTEL, OIL PASTEL, PEN AND INK, COLORED PENCIL, CHARCOAL, GRAPHITE AND OTHER DRY MEDIA.

Entry Form for "Reflections of a Museum" Exhibition

Name: _____

Cell Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Country of Residence: _____

Email: _____

Are you a Tipton County Museum Member? Yes _____ No _____

If you are not currently a TCM member, do you want a free one-year Family
Museum Membership with this entry? Yes _____ No _____

ARTWORK ENTRY

Title of Entry: _____

Medium (watercolor, acrylic, etc.): _____

PHOTOGRAPHY ENTRY

Title of Entry: _____

Black & White Photo: _____ or Color Photo: _____

The Tipton County Museum reserves the right to disqualify any artwork or photography that is inappropriate (no nudes), or misrepresented. Entrants retain ownership of their artwork and photography. The Tipton County Museum will post all entries on its website and may use those images in publicity, educational programs, and other means in the normal course of museum business. The Tipton County Museum will not disclose personal information of winners other than their name and country of residence.

"I hereby agree to the conditions set forth in this prospectus. I give permission to the Tipton County Museum to use my images for publicity, educational purposes, and other means in the normal course of museum business, both now and in the future."

Signature: _____ Date: _____

CHECKLIST:

- _____ Digital image(s) emailed to [Tiptoncountymuseum@covingtontn. com](mailto:Tiptoncountymuseum@covingtontn.com)
- _____ Payment (either online or by check in U. S. \$)
- _____ Entry form completed

Please make a copy for yourself, then mail entry form & payment to:

The Tipton County Museum
P. O. Box 768,
Covington, TN 38019
U. S. A.

FOR QUESTIONS, CALL THE TIPTON COUNTY MUSEUM AT 901-476-0242