



## 2021 Art Spark Texas

### *Annual Artist of the Year Awards*

- Haven Street-Allen Artist of the Year Award
- Lynn Marie Johnson Media Arts Award
- SPARK Award
- Mobile Art Award

### **Nomination Deadline: Friday, April 16, 2021**

Art Spark Texas annually honors artists in the field of visual art, dance, music, performance, craft, media and writing. Each year, the **Artist of the Year Awards** are given to Texas artists who embody the spirit and vision of Art Spark Texas, and who challenge the perceptions of how people contribute by demonstrating artistic excellence or leading the way as a community catalyst for change.

Self-nominations are allowed, as well as multiple nominations for one individual.

The **Haven Street-Allen Artist of the Year Award** is named for former Board member Forrest Haven Street-Allen and honors an established individual who has made an exceptional contribution to affirming that the power of an artistic spirit, combined with determination and will, can influence and shape our society. Each year, the award is given to an artist with a disability in Texas who, through a one-time creative act or a substantial record of achievement, embodies the vision of Art Spark Texas.

The **Lynn Marie Johnson Media Arts Award** is named for former staff member Lynn Marie Johnson and honors her unwavering advocacy for artists with diverse abilities in media. The award is given to a Texas artist who displays passion and commitment to the promotion and awareness of people with disabilities in the media arts, (i.e, video, film, photography, television, radio, social media, etc.) as producer, artist, writer, etc. or any combination.

The **SPARK Award** is given to an emerging Texas artist with a disability who embodies the infective and innovative spirit of Art Spark Texas. Nominations are open to any individual over the age of 16 years in any discipline, including visual art, dance, music, performance, craft, media and writing.

The **Mobile Art Award** is named in tribute to Theresa Zelanzky for her devotion to her mother and all creative older adults. It is given to a Texas artist age 65 or older, who exemplifies the creative aging philosophy that engagement in the arts improves emotional well-being, supports good health, strengthens social bonds, and brings a heightened experience of purpose and joy. Visual artists who work in 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional, as well as fiber artists, are eligible.

Each award includes an honorarium and an invitation to attend our annual event as a guest of honor to be publicly recognized for their achievements.

A panel of judges will jury nominations and the results will be announced in July 2021.

**All nominations must be in by April 16, 2021** to be considered for the award.

Winners announced July 2021

The award ceremony will be in September 2021 in Austin, Texas.

For more information call (512) 454-9912 or toll free 1-866-489-8412.

**Submit Applications:**

email [info@artsparktx.org](mailto:info@artsparktx.org)

Mail: Art Spark Texas  
3710 Cedar Street Box #7  
Austin, Tx 78705

**Nomination Form**  
**Art Spark Texas Artist of the Year Awards**  
**Application Due: April 16, 2021**

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**NOMINATOR INFORMATION**

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP code: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOMINEE INFORMATION**

please select an award category:

Haven-Allen Artist of the Year

Lynn Marie Johnson Media Arts Award

SPARK Award

Mobile Art Award

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP code: \_\_\_\_\_

Website (if available): \_\_\_\_\_

**Use additional paper if necessary.** (please include samples or links to the artists work).

1. Please describe the nominee and why he, she or they are deserving of this award.

2. Please list links to or include copies of artist press coverage, social media links, blogs, interviews if available.

3. What exhibitions/performances/events has the artist participated in?  
Please include location and date.

4. Please describe what you believe to be the nominee's substantial artistic achievements.

5. What is the significant artistic or community impact of the nominee's artistic work?

6. Has this artist's work inspired a catalyst for change in their community? If so, please tell us a little about it.

7. How did you discover the nominee's work?

8. How do you know the nominee?

9. Can we contact you if we need additional information? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

10. Do you wish this nomination to be anonymous?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

**Please attach photos or a link to the artist's work to nomination form.**

**SUBMIT NOMINATION FORM VIA EMAIL [info@artsparktx.org](mailto:info@artsparktx.org) OR Mail:**

**2021 Artist of the Year Nomination**

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