



PORTRAIT SOCIETY OF AMERICA

MEMBERS ONLY COMPETITION CALL FOR ENTRIES

The Portrait Society of America is the leading non-profit international organization dedicated to furthering the traditions of fine art portraiture and figurative works. Each year, we invite our members to showcase their finest work in our 'Members Only' competition.

FIVE CATEGORIES:

- **Commissioned Portrait**
- **Non-Commissioned Portrait**
- **Outside the Box**
- **Animals as the Subject**
- **Nude Figure**

COMPETITION TIMETABLE:

- Entry Fee:** \$40/category
Opens: September 1, 2026
Deadline: November 4, 2026
Notification: December 1, 2026

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

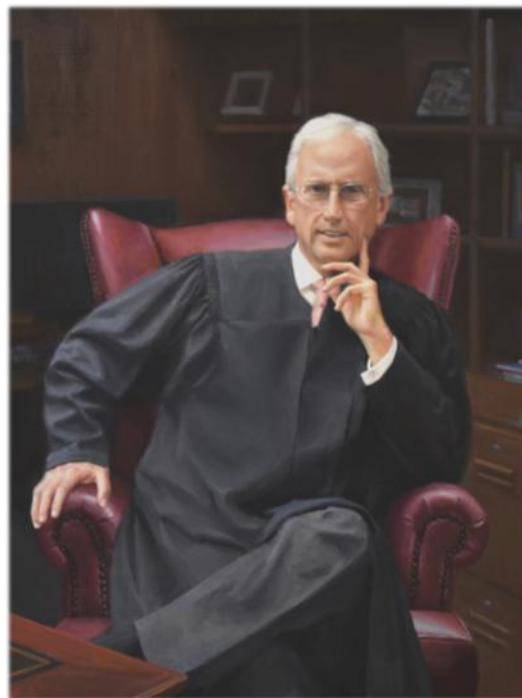
Top award winners will be chosen for **each of the five categories.**

The First Place winners in each category will receive:

- **John Singer Sargent Palette** (an exact museum quality reproduction) along with an exclusive digital interview with Richard Ormond, grand nephew of John Singer Sargent **OR**
- **Complimentary tuition** to attend the 29th anniversary celebration of *The Art of the Portrait* in Washington, DC on May 6-9, 2027 **and**
- **Worldwide recognition** through print publications and social media



John Singer Sargent Palette



Ned Bittinger
Previous First Place Commissioned Portrait

GUIDELINES

- All work must be your **own original design and concept**, created independently, and completed in the **last three years** (*since January 2023*).
- **Never won an award** in any previous art competition.
- **No electronic/computer generated** or altered artwork, work done in a class, workshop or under supervision will be accepted.
- Members may **enter work in more than one** of the five distinct categories.
- **All media is accepted** in each category including oil, pastel, watercolor, graphite, sculpture, etc.

COST

Participants can **enter one piece** of their work **in one or more of each of the five categories**.

For example, an artist may enter one work in the Outside the Box category and another work in the Commissioned Portrait category. Entries are by **digital files** and uploaded through the online entry form. The entry fee is **\$40 per category** and is non-refundable and must accompany your submission.



Sharon Sprung
Previous First Place Outside the Box

PREPARING DIGITAL ENTRIES

Only digital entries will be accepted. Before logging on to our digital entry form, **please re-name your files** as follows:

- **Artist's Last Name**
- **First Initial**
- **Category being submitted**
- **All separated with a dash**

For example: **smith-j-nudefigure.jpg**

SUBMISSION DEADLINE

All entries must be uploaded to our online entry form before midnight on **November 4, 2026**. Please plan to enter before that time as the server may be overloaded with last minute entries.



Brenda Matsen
Previous First Place Animals as the Subject

View past winners and upload your files by visiting

www.portraitsociety.org

Questions? Call us at 1-877-772-4321

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