



**ECHTER'S 2025 ART SHOW** -- Sponsored by  
Echter's Garden Center, Mountainside Art Guild & Arvada Fine Arts Guild (*in conjunction with the Glass Artisans Fellowship Show*)

**November 8 – 16, 2025**

**Our Juror: Award Winning Artist Steve Griggs**

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It started with the gift of tube watercolor paints from his mother when he was in elementary school. Later a degree in Studio Art from Michigan State University and attendance at Art Center College of Design developed Steve Griggs's innate talent into superb technical skills. Ultimately, that little gift from his mother lead to a lifetime of mastering watercolor and the creation of scenes that divulge hints, suggestions and possibilities versus stark reality.

Steve paints places, but not just places he sees, rather those he feels and hopes will lead each viewer down their own path, evoking individual memories of how one felt while enveloped in a similar scene. Narrating these stores are loose washes of color, hints of variegated texture, and emotion.

With his unique, loose painting style, Steve's paintings have been juried into a variety of national and international exhibitions and regularly win awards. Steve loves to guide other artists in learning to paint in his free and expressive style and he is a popular workshop instructor and exhibition juror. Steve and his partner, Sue, have also written numerous articles for publication in Watercolor Artist and The Artist Magazine (published in the UK).

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**SHOW SPECIFICATIONS: Please read carefully!**

**ELIGIBILITY:** Open to all members of Mountainside Art Guild & Arvada Fine Arts Guild

**DATES:** November 8-16, 2025 -- Hours: M-F 10-6; SAT 9-6; SUN 10-5

**LOCATION:** Echter's Greenhouse, 5150 Garrison (corner of Garrison & 52<sup>nd</sup>), Arvada

**THEME:** Florals, plants, vegetables, gardening, landscapes (preferred, but other subject matters welcome)

**ENTRIES:** Each artist may submit up to 5 works. The show will not be juried for entry. Approx. 135 works will be accepted into the show, in the order of entry receipt. All two-dimensional fine art, including photography & digital is acceptable. Work must not have been displayed in a previous Echter's Show in the past 2 years, and must not have won a previous award at an Echter's Show. Artwork must be original work of artist. New--*See separate entry form for Bin Work. There is no charge for bin work, but you may only submit bin work for sale if you have also entered original artwork and paid the entry fees. Bin work will not be juried for entry or prizes. We will accept approx. 200 pieces of bin work, in the order of entry receipt.*

**SPECIFICATIONS:** Maximum width 36". Large works must be framed in Plexiglass (20" x 24"). No resin covered art. Work may be framed or gallery-wrapped; gallery-wrapped work must have minimum depth of 1 ½" with painted edges; staples on back. All paintings must be properly wired on the back with picture wire and D-rings. NO SAWTOOTH OR CLIP HANGERS. Paintings with damage to the frame, matting, glass OR that do not meet the above specifications will not be hung. *Please label the back of each piece of artwork with name, phone, title of work, medium, and price.* Painting cards for display of art will be made by MAG.

**FEES:** \$8.00 per work (limit 5) Checks payable to Mountainside Art Guild or MAG, or pay by Zelle (see Registration Form for details)

**AWARDS:** The following awards will be given: Awards sponsored by Echter's & Mountainside Art Guild. Other awards may be given at the discretion of Echter's and the Show Chairpersons.

**Best of Show:** \$100 Echter's Gift Certificate

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** \$50 Echter's Gift Certificate

**Echter's Choice:** \$50 Echter's Gift Certificate

**8 Merit Awards:** \$25 each (given by MAG)

**SALES:** Sales will be handled by Echter's staff; all sales will go through Mountainside Art Guild's books for processing and tax reporting. A 15% commission will be paid to Echter's and 5% to MAG. It is preferred that sold original artwork remains on display until the close of the show, any exceptions must be approved by the Show Chairpersons. Binwork (see separate Registration Form) will be cash/credit and carry.

### **DEADLINES AND EVENTS**

**Note:** Works may not be delivered or picked up early without permission from Show Chairpersons!

- **Delivery of works to Echter's**  
**Fri., November 7 - 10:30-11:30 am**
- **Jurying for Awards Only by our Juror Steve Griggs**  
**Fri., November 7 - 12:00 pm**
- **Public Reception (Steve Griggs will be in attendance to give his views on the Winning Paintings). Guests are welcome and encouraged to attend!**  
**Saturday, Nov. 8 - 1:00 – 3:00 pm (Awards at 2:00 pm)**
- **Pick up of unsold works**  
**Sunday, Nov. 16 – 3:30 to 4:30 pm (please note new earlier pick-up time!)**

*If you cannot deliver or pick up your artwork, please make arrangements with another artist, friend, or family member to deliver or pick up your work for you.*

**Host/Hostess:** Echter's requires that we have art show representatives on the weekends to talk to the visitors; please check box on registration form if you can help out! Host/Hostess schedule will be available at check-in; you will be given your requested time unless we call you with a change.

### **QUESTIONS:**

**Chairperson Darcie Kurtak - Email [dkurtak@gmail.com](mailto:dkurtak@gmail.com), or Text or Call Cell Phone (303) 859-7501; Co-Chairperson Becky Near @ [beckyn6017@gmail.com](mailto:beckyn6017@gmail.com) / (303) 619-3204.**

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## **REGISTRATION FORMS FOR ORIGINAL ARTWORK (p. 1) AND BIN WORK (p. 2)** **(Bin Work to be Submitted on Separate Form on p.2 along with this Registration Form)**

FEES: \$8.00 per original work - checks payable to Mountainside Art Guild or MAG

MAIL TO: Darcie Kurtak, P.O. Box 252, Idledale, CO 80453

(Must be postmarked by Fri. October 24, 2025); or pay by Zelle to 303-489-2025 & Email  
Registration Form to [dkurtak@gmail.com](mailto:dkurtak@gmail.com) by Thurs. October 30, 2025

DELIVER artwork to Echters: Friday, November 7: 10:30-11:30 a.m.

PICK UP unsold works: Sunday, November 16: 3:30-4:30 p.m. (new earlier pick-up time)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

1. Title \_\_\_\_\_

Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_

2. Title \_\_\_\_\_

Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_

3. Title \_\_\_\_\_

Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_

4. Title \_\_\_\_\_

Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_

5. Title \_\_\_\_\_

Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_

### **Volunteer Help:**

#### **Friday, Nov. 7**

\_\_\_\_\_ Help with Check-in 10:30 am - 11:30 am

\_\_\_\_\_ Help with Hanging 10:30 am til done

#### **Sunday, Nov. 16**

\_\_\_\_\_ Help during Pickup 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm (*note new time*)

#### **Host/Hostess:**

**Sat. Nov. 8** 10:00-1:00 \_\_\_\_\_ 1:00-4:00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Sun. Nov. 9** 10:00-1:00 \_\_\_\_\_ 1:00-4:00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Sat. Nov. 15** 10:00-1:00 \_\_\_\_\_ 1:00-4:00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Sun. Nov. 16** 10:00-1:00 \_\_\_\_\_ 1:00-4:00 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I can bring refreshments for the Reception on Sat. Nov. 8 from 1:00-3:00 (you will be contacted to coordinate refreshments).

Remember, works will be accepted in the order registration forms are received, approx. 135 pieces of artwork will be accepted and hung. Titles and prices MAY NOT be changed once submitted.

## 2025 Echter's Art Show BIN WORK GUIDELINES AND REGISTRATION FORM

Each artist who enters artwork into the 2025 Echter's Art Show may also elect to display up to 10 pieces of appropriate bin work. *Bin works will not be juried for entry or prizes. We will accept approx. 200 pieces of bin work, in the order of entry receipt. No fee to enter. This form must be completed and submitted along with the Registration Form and entry fees for original Artwork on p.1*

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

### BIN WORK SPECIFICATIONS:

- Can be original or giclee print, including photography or digital art
- Unframed ONLY
- Labels on back must clearly state:
  - Type of art: original or giclee print
  - Artist's name, phone number, title of work, medium and price.
  - Please also include # on label from list to right, i.e., 1. Artist Name, Phone, Title, Medium, Price
- Presentation:
  - Canvas or panel – unframed  
OR
  - Appropriately matted and backed artwork on paper (original or glicee) or photographs – must be unframed AND in clear, protective plastic sleeve
  - Maximum size: 16" H x 22" W (outside dimensions of mat or canvas)
- Unsold bin work remains on site at Echter's Garden Center for the duration of show.
- Echter's Garden Center will handle all artwork sales. Echter's takes a 15% commission and MAG 5%.

**BINS:** Please notify the Show Chair if you are able to bring a bin on the morning of Friday, November 7, from 10:30-11:30 when we hang the show and the type of bin, i.e., floor standing or table top bin.

Darcie Kurtak, Cell: 303-857-7501, Email: [dkurtak@gmail.com](mailto:dkurtak@gmail.com)

### Registration Form p. 2 – Bin Work Only

(Registration Form p. 1 must also be included with this form and appropriate fees submitted for Original Artwork in order to have Bin Work for sale.)

**Please list information** for your bin work on this form.

Works will be accepted in the order registration forms are received (approx.. 200 accepted). Titles and prices MAY NOT be changed once submitted.

<b>1</b>	Title	
	Medium	Price
Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Print		

<b>2</b>	Title	
	Medium	Price
Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Print		

<b>3</b>	Title	
	Medium	Price
Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Print		

<b>4</b>	Title	
	Medium	Price
Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Print		

<b>5</b>	Title	
	Medium	Price
Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Print		

<b>6</b>	Title	
	Medium	Price
Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Print		

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<b>8</b>	Title	
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<b>9</b>	Title	
	Medium	Price
Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Print		

<b>10</b>	Title	
	Medium	Price
Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Print		