

SC INMAN MARDI GRAS! GALVESTON 2026

OFFICIAL POSTER CONTEST

Guidelines & Entry Form

Be a part of Mardi Gras history! In honor of the 115th celebration of Mardi Gras! Galveston, Yaga's Entertainment, Inc. would like to invite students and artists from Galveston Island and the surrounding areas to submit an official Mardi Gras! Galveston poster design.

The winning poster will be reproduced as a commemorative poster to be released as part of Mardi Gras! Galveston 2026. **The artist with the winning poster will receive a \$1000 award.** If the winning artist is a high school student, the student will receive a \$500 award, and the high school art department will receive a \$500 award.

Artist Eligibility: Any United States Citizen 16 years of age or older.

Eligible Artwork: Yaga's Entertainment, Inc. will consider original two-dimensional work including mixed media and traditional paint media- such as oil, acrylic, watercolors, pastels or some combination of those media. Two-dimensional drawings can be submitted using traditional media- such as pencil, pen and ink, charcoal or some combination of those medias. Digital work/graphic design will also be accepted.

All submitted artwork must include:

1. "Mardi Gras! Galveston 2026" and "115th Celebration".
2. Art must reflect the true spirit and revelry of Mardi Gras! Galveston.
3. Submitted art pieces should be 18" x 24" vertical format with also an electronic file in a high-resolution 300dpi in required size
4. Artwork should be framed and/or mounted on hard backing.
5. Entry form and \$25.00 entry fee (Fee waived for high school and college students)
6. In addition to the artwork, the artist must include:
 - Clear contact information- name, phone number, e-mail
 - Description of the media used as well as a brief (100 words or less) bio of the artist to be submitted on the back of the entry.

Submitting Your Artwork

1. Work should be submitted on canvas, linen, panel, paper, board or a similar flat format.
2. Limit of 2 submissions per artist.
3. Timeline
 - October 14-January 5: Submission Accepted
 - January 6-8, 2026: Voting for Winning Poster at Yagas Café in Galveston 11-8pm
 - January 9, 2026: Winning poster will be chosen and artist notified
 - January 22, 2026 7pm: All Krewe Poster Unveiling Event at Tremont Hotel in Galveston
 - The winning poster of this contest will be revealed as well as other Krewe's posters.

Deliver or Mail Poster Entries To: Yaga's Entertainment, Inc. 2314 Strand, Galveston, TX 77550
(In person between 9:00am and 3:00pm.)

Voting for The Winning Poster: Yagas Café 2314 Strand St. Galveston, TX 77550

Tremont Hotel: 2300 Ship Mechanic St. Galveston, TX 77550

Artist Exhibit

The winning poster will be produced as a commemorative poster to be sold or given away during Mardi Gras! Galveston festivities at locations determined by Yaga's Entertainment, Inc. The winning poster may also be used on the official event website and for pre and post event promotional advertising. Yaga's Entertainment has the right to select a second poster to be used for official festival merchandise.

Ownership/Use Rights

Yaga's Entertainment, Inc. will retain all rights to the winning artwork including original art piece, electronic file and all printed posters. Artist will be asked to sign a limited number of posters that will be sold or given away. Electronic files from artists will remain property of Yaga's Entertainment, Inc. for media distribution and publication in print and/or web promotions.

Any further questions can be directed to:

Yaga's Entertainment, info@yagasevents.com or 409-770-0999

Artist Entry Submission Form

Participating artists agree by entering the Official Poster Contest of Mardi Gras! Galveston 2026 and signing this submission form:

- The winning artwork will be displayed at the Mardi Gras All Krewe Poster Unveiling Event on Thursday, January 22, 2026, at 7pm. The artist is invited to present their poster at this event.
- Electronic file will remain property of Yaga's Entertainment, Inc. to use in pre and post event promotional material
- The winner of the Official Poster Contest of Mardi Gras! Galveston will release all right and ownership to Yaga's Entertainment, Inc.

By signing the Artist Entry Submission form, I hereby agree to the aforementioned condition and all guidelines mentioned in the Guidelines & Entry Form for the Official Poster Contest of Mardi Gras! Galveston 2026.

ALL FIELDS REQUIRED

Name

Phone Number

E-mail Address

School

Participant Signature

Guardian Signature (if under 18)

Date

\$25 entry fee paid by: (check one)

Entry fee is waived for students

☐ Cash ☐ Check ☐ Money Order ☐ Credit Card

* Please make Check or Money Order out to Yaga's Entertainment, Inc.