

2026 Daffodil Festival Print Contest

Please accept this invitation to submit your original art in the Gloucester, Virginia, Annual Daffodil Festival Print Contest. This contest is open to all area artists and Gloucester High School Senior Art students. We are looking for artwork more representative of a framed art print, although the final product will be printed with the year and "Daffodil Festival, Gloucester, Virginia.

The Daffodil Festival celebrates the heritage of Gloucester, promotes a positive image, creates a sense of community spirit, and provides beautification throughout Gloucester County.

Artwork should portray the History of Gloucester or theme ("Anchored In Tradition") of the festival by including daffodils. All artists are expected to attend the 2026 Print Unveiling Reception for the winning artwork reveal. The reception will be held at the Gloucester Fine Arts Museum, March 14th 2-4PM. The winning artwork will remain with the Daffodil Festival. All other artworks can be picked up at the conclusion of the Print Unveiling Reception.

The winning artist is obligated to attend the Daffodil Festival to display his/her artwork. In addition, the winning entry will become part of the 2026 Daffodil Festival celebration. The festival will be held on Saturday, March 28 & Sunday, Sunday, March 29, 2026.

Entries will be accepted Saturday, January 10th, 1:00-5:00 pm at the Gloucester Main Street Library.

Entry Fee: \$25.00 Payments can be made online by scanning the bar code below or visiting gloucesterva.gov/civicrec.

Cash Awards

*First Place - \$1,000.00

*Honorable Mention - \$350.00

Scan Code To Make Payment >



Artist Eligibility

All accepted artists agree to abide by the following policies and procedures. Failure to do so will result in the removal of your submission from the competition.

- 1. Types of Work: All images submitted to the Daffodil Festival must be original works of art.

 Ai generated images are not prohibited. The contest is open to all mediums. The artwork should not have been entered in any previous competition. The art must include daffodils in a creative but realistic interpretation (Note: Daffodils have six petals) and should reflect the overall "feeling" of the Daffodil Festival and history of Gloucester. Artwork should be no smaller than 12" x 16" and no larger than 20" x 30". The Daffodil Festival reserves the right to modify the winning artwork in accordance with the printing process.
- 2. Submission Guidelines: The finished artwork should be ready to hang with complete framing (frame and hanging wire). Paper entries should be mated and framed; all oils and acrylics should be framed and ready to hang. (Oils and Acrylics should be Completely Dry).
- 3. *Number of Entries*: There is no limit to the number of entries accepted per person. Each entry will require a separate entry fee. Make checks payable to: Gloucester County. Artists are not eligible to compete if winner of previous year.
- 4. Submission of Artwork: Artwork should be hand delivered to:

Gloucester Library 6920 Main Street, Gloucester, Virginia



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Additional Contest Information

- 1. Contest entries will be displayed at the Gloucester Main Street Library from January 10th January 17th, and the Gloucester Point Library from January 17th January 24th, 2026.
- 2. The Daffodil Festival and Gloucester County cannot accept liability for damage or loss of any artwork submitted, for any cause while in their possession.
- 3. The winning artwork selected for the 2026 Daffodil Festival Print Contest becomes the property of the Daffodil Festival and Gloucester County and may not be sold or reproduced by any other person or entity. The wining artist will receive the first number (1), print.
- 4. The Daffodil Festival and Gloucester County reserves the right to reproduce the artwork at a future date for purposes of promoting the Daffodil Festival.
- The unveiling of the winning artwork will be held at The Gloucester Fine Arts Museum 6894 Main Street Gloucester, VA 23061 March 22nd 2-4PM.
- 6. The prints will be sold at the Print Unveiling, during and after the 2026 Daffodil Festival until all copies are distributed. The winning artist will be expected to sign all prints.
- 7. For more information regarding the 2026 Daffodil Festival Print Contest, contact

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Thank you for your interest in the 2026 Daffodil Festival Print Contest. We look forward to meeting you in person and enjoying your artwork!

•Should the Winner or Honorable mention be a Gloucester High School Senior, the funds will be a onetime scholarship check submitted to the continuing education school or program of their choice in the student's name.