

## POETRY SOCIETY OF TENNESSEE

### TENNESSEE VISIONS **\*\*MEMBERS ONLY\*\*** CALL FOR COVER ART

The Poetry Society of Tennessee (PST) seeks front and back cover designs of original art for their upcoming edition of Tennessee Voices Anthology. We'd love to see any art form that illustrates a poetic vision of Tennessee or Tennessean life in a family-friendly representation. Keep in mind work must accommodate necessary elements of a book cover.

#### ELIGIBILITY

1. The artist must be a current Poetry Society of Tennessee member.
2. Submissions must be
  - a. the original work of the contestant, created without use of Artificial Intelligence
  - b. unpublished in any form, including electronically and placed on exhibition (The work may have been posted on a personal social media account.)
  - c. not under consideration or accepted for publication or display elsewhere
3. Artwork must not include the anthology name on it.
4. Your entry must not have won first prize in any art contest prior to entry.
5. No simultaneous submissions.
6. While PST welcomes a variety of themes and topics, we do not accept explicitly violent or sexual content for our contests. Any entries that contain content so deemed by the judges or PST Board will not be considered.
7. Entrants will not be notified if they are disqualified during the selection process.

#### ENTRY

No fee for submission. The submission window will be open Wednesday April 1, 2026, through Monday, April 20, 2026. Please do not call or email to verify receipt. Follow instructions carefully. No simultaneous submissions.

By submitting an entry, you agree to give PST first publishing rights should your piece be selected for publication. Following publication, all rights revert to the artist. You also grant PST non-exclusive electronic permission to post this work in archives and share it through social media and/or live presentations. We ask that you credit *Tennessee Voices Anthology* if the work is published elsewhere in the future.

#### SELECTION AND PUBLICATION

1. Artist Dorothy Chen, whose work appeared on the front cover of *Tennessee Voices Anthology, 2024-2025*, will choose cover art based on artistic excellence, visual impact, creativity, and adherence to theme. Her decision will be final.
2. Only one submission from an artist can be chosen per year.
3. Two artworks will be selected from submissions: one for the front cover, one for the back cover.
4. Selected artists will be announced in late spring 2026 and notified by email.
5. Art will be printed in full color on the anthology cover, and an artist biography will be included in the anthology. The art and biography may also be reproduced on the PST's website and appear on PST's social media channels.

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### SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

1. Entrants are asked to submit a cover letter and up to two pieces of art.
2. Cover Letter. Submit one cover letter including:
  - a. Title(s) of each artwork being submitted with year created, medium, and dimensions
  - b. Contact information: full name, address, email, and telephone number
  - d. a brief bio (no more than 75 words)
3. Artwork.
  - a. Do not submit more than one piece of art in a single file. Each piece must be submitted as a separate file. (maximum 2 submissions).
  - b. Submit files in .jpeg format.
  - c. File size under 10mb; high resolution files to be submitted if your work is selected.
  - d. Remove or cover any personal identification from the art; if the piece is signed, the signature should be blurred or covered.
  - e. Use the following naming convention for files: title, underscore, artist date of birth using 4 numbers. For example, the painting Tennessee Bridge by an artist born on May 4 would be submitted as Tennesseebridge\_0504.
4. Submit entries to [pst.artsubmissions@gmail.com](mailto:pst.artsubmissions@gmail.com).

### QUESTIONS

If you have questions, contact [pst.artsubmissions@gmail.com](mailto:pst.artsubmissions@gmail.com).