

# Society of Western Artists

## ARTWORK EXHIBIT RULES ON FRAMING

The following FRAMING RULES for shows are required for SWA show entries:

### **FRAMING:**

- ✓ **Size: Frame outside dimensions** for all paintings are limited to:
  - Not less than 10 inches (ANNUAL EXHIBITION ONLY - 16 inches)
  - Not larger than 48 inches (ANNUAL EXHIBITION ONLY – 60 inches)
- ✓ **Metal Frames** – full sheet ( 22"x30") or larger must use plexiglass.
- ✓ **Hardware** – Hardware for hanging must be flat type. **SEE PHOTOS BELOW**
  - No nails, eye screws, or protruding hardware allowed.
- ✓ **Wires** – Hanger wires ends must be taped or covered with plastic sleeves. All paintings must be wired for hanging.
- ✓ **Paper Artwork** - must be properly mounted to support. No scotch tape or other visible adhesives allowed.
- ✓ **Works on Canvas or Panel** - Must be securely mounted within frame rabbet. Taping is not allowed.
- ✓ **All Work Must be Dry, wet paintings will not be accepted.**

**Acceptable** - Flat Wire Hanger with Taped Wire Ends



**Not Acceptable** – Eye Screws



**MAT COLORS FOR ARTWORK:** Colored mats may be used.

**Paintings with a religious or political theme are not acceptable. All artwork must be representational.**

**ARTWORK NOT MEETING THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM SWA SHOWS.**