Event Handbook



meet the maker and shop direct

September 9-12, 2021 SNOW KING CENTER • JACKSON HOLE, WYOMING















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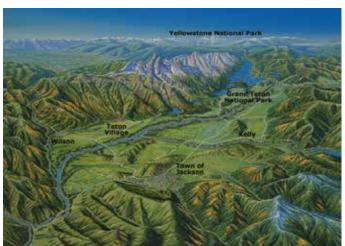
OPENING PREVIEW PARTY • RUNWAY FASHION SHOW DESIGNER SHOW HOUSE • LIVE AUCTION • 3-DAY EXHIBIT + SALE

Welcome to the Western Design Conference

HOUJACKSON HOLE

97% of land in Teton County, Wyoming is protected for generations to come

- Jackson Hole is a 48-mile-long valley inside Teton National Park and surrounded by the Teton and Gros Ventre Mountains with Yellowstone National Park to the north.
- Jackson Hole is located in Teton County, one of the wealthiest counties in the nation.
- 80% of attendees to the Western Design Conference are 2nd and 3rd home-owners.
- The WDC is the signature event kicking off the Jackson Hole Fall Arts Festival.
- Town is at capacity during this event each year.
- Each year patrons of the Western Design Conference Exhibit + Sale spend upwards of \$2 million with exhibiting national artists.





SOURCEBOOK

The *WDC Sourcebook* provides a complimentary listing for each exhibitors. Additional advertising opportunities are available to showcase your work. Space is limited. Reserve space via your registration link.

The 29th Annual Sourcebook will be available as a stand alone archival issue and hosted online throughout the year via the WDC site, Mountain Living, Western Art & Architecture, Cowboys & Indians, Homestead, Range and more.

Exhibitor Ad Rates SPREAD \$2495 FULL PAGE \$1495 1/2 PAGE \$895 1/4 PAGE \$495





promote what you are up to on Facebook & Instagram @westerndesignconference #westerndesignconference

FOR ADDED EXPOSURE The Western Design Conference website features detailed artist pages and posts that connect WDC Fans to WDC Exhibitors all year long.

MARKETING

Throughout the year the Western Design Conference targets readers internationally, nationally, regionally, and locally. Our reach includes extensive print advertising, blog sites, social media, and editorial coverage. Join us and tell your story online as you invite your clients to find you at the Western Design Conference.

THE WESTERN DESIGN CONFERENCE

Events

Snow King Center Thursday, September 9, 6PM – 10PM

OPENING PREVIEW PARTY

A gala celebration where the public views award winning craft, meets this year's artists, walks through the Designer Show House, experiences a Runway Fashion Show and participates in the live WDC Auction while enjoying local culinary creations + signature cocktails during a festive night of shopping.

Snow King Center Friday, Saturday, Sunday September 10, 11, 12, 10AM – 5PM

WDC EXHIBIT + SALE

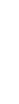
3-day Exhibit + Sale features one-of-a-kind creations in furniture, fashion jewelry + home accessories from more than 130 artists. This event celebrates functional museum-quality creations capturing the spirit of the West.

DESIGNER SHOW HOUSE

Juried artists' creations + custom interior design in a home environment. The intent is to align interior designers with the public by providing the creative venue to showcase their talent and the ability to incorporate pieces from WDC juried artists into a home environment. The DSH provides an excellent opportunity for prospective clients to better understand how to integrate one-of-a-kind objects into beautifully designed spaces.







Hwards

\$20,000 Awarded Annually

		Best Collection Fashion Show	\$1000
Best In Show	\$5000	Honorable Mention Fashion Show	\$ 200
Woodworking Contemporary Design	\$1000	Art to Wear Jewelry	\$1000
Western Spirit Award	\$1000	Leather	\$1000
Sonny Tuttle Spirit Award	\$1000	Metal	\$1000
Accents	\$1000	Mixed Media	\$1000
Art to Wear Fashion	\$1000	Woodworking Historical Design	\$1000
Designer Show House Interior Design (coverage in Sourcebook and online feature)	\$3000 value	Honorable Mention (In each category)	\$ 200

The Winners' Circle Art Auction

Past award winners donate new works of art to be auctioned off. A 50/50 split will benefit the annual WDC Best of Show artist awards fund and the contributing artist. The auction precedes the live runway fashion show and is limited to 5 items featuring advance promotion.

Art Genres (each juried entry must select one category)

Accents

This category encompasses an eclectic grouping of functional art made from antler, ceramics, fiber, glass, leather, metal, or wood. All pieces are usable to and would be recognized as art by just about any viewer.

Art to Wear – Fashion

In this category, artists explore and expand the limits of their imagination and the style of the American West. You will find beautifully crafted pieces for "dressing West" from head-to-toe.

Art to Wear – Jewelry & Accessories

Western artists blend silver, gold, precious and semi-precious stones, turquoise, coral, antique china, and other materials to create one-of-a-kind jewelry and accessory pieces.

Leather

Leather has long been used in functional art, in pieces ranging from furniture to picture frames. This category displays hand tooling and leather manipulation of exquisite quality and craftsmanship.

Metal

From hand-pounded silver to hand-forged iron, this category encompasses heirloom-quality pieces of art that any collector or homeowner would be proud to display.

Mixed Media

Artists present functional works using a collaboration of materials. These creations incorporate multiple techniques, textures, and mediums. This category knows no limit and pushes the envelope of design and artistry.

Woodworking (Historical Design/Craftsmanship AND Contemporary Design/Craftsmanship)

This expansive category showcases timeless design, attention to detail, and traditional methods of craftsmanship. Each piece, whether simple or complex, will endure for generations.

The conference is a gallery style exhibit... Booth spaces are limited, so apply early! See Juried Artist Registration Form for available sizes and rates.

The attraction of the Exhibit + Sale is the high caliber and originality of the functional art being shown. Therefore, it is our expectation that all pedestal exhibits will be new works designed and built **A pedestal is REQUIRED to display your juried piece(s).** A pedestal is of the utmost importance so that we may maintain the visual integrity of a gallery (NO RUGS or DECORATIVE ITEMS MAY BE PLACED ON OR UNDER A PEDESTAL). A pedestal is designed to showcase and protect your work and is the responsibility of the artist.

BOOTH SPACE

10 x 10' 10 x 16' 10 x 20'		10 x 10' booth + 4 x 4 pedestal \$2600 10 x 16' booth + 4 x 4 pedestal \$3300
10 x 30' 4' x 16'	\$5400	POP UP BOOTH (FRI -SUN only) 10 x 10' booth (\$1300) + pedestal (\$600)
corner outside	\$ 4 00 \$750	booth setup Fri 7:30-10 am, pedestal setup Thurs.



PEDESTAL FLOOR SPACE (\$200 discount with any booth space)

4 x 4 ft Space	\$800	6 x 6 ft Space	\$1000
8 x 8 ft Space	\$1100	2 Pieces (one pedestal) 8 x 8 ft Space	\$1400
10 x10 ft Space	\$1600	2 Pieces (one pedestal) 10 x 10 ft Space	\$1800

PEDESTAL SPECIFICATIONS, CONSTRUCTION, FINISH & RENTALS

Specifications: The pedestal cannot exceed the piece's size by more than 6 inches, nor be smaller than the piece by more than 1 inch. It is left to your discretion to decide the dimensions and size that will best showcase your piece(s). If your art piece extends over your pedestal it is possible that damage could occur. It is up to the artist to protect their artwork.

Construction: Pedestals are to be constructed of $\frac{1}{2}$ " to $\frac{3}{4}$ " plywood sizes, but jointed. The top needs to be $\frac{1}{2}$ " to $\frac{3}{4}$ " medium density particleboard or plywood mounted flush to the outside. Wood glue is to be used to attach all surfaces. Fastening shall be done with #6 finishing nails or screws. Nail holes must be filled and sanded flush. Pedestals for oversized work may be constructed in several pieces or footers may be used.

Finish: Pedestals need to be sanded with a minimum of 120 grit sandpaper prior to finish. **Two coats of Pratt & Lambert** "Seed Pearl" latex satin enamel (or an equivalent) shall be applied as a finish.

Reservations are Available...Pedestals & display cases are available for rent. **Contact:** allison@westerndesignconference.com for reservations or 307-690-9719



Exhibit + Sale Booth Space

Juried artists can purchase booth space to show more of their work.

The conference is a gallery style exhibit; purchasing booth space allows artists the opportunity to create an intimate salesroom space for buyers and clients. Artwork displayed in booth space will not be part of the juried exhibition, and works sold there will not be eligible for awards or cash prizes. All artwork must be displayed inside the booth area. Booth spaces are limited, so apply early! See Juried Artist Registration Form for available sizes and rates.

BOOTHS ARE PROFESSIONALLY LINED

with craft paper and include 9-ft tall wooden walls, overhead truss lighting, and electricity.

LIGHTING & ELECTRIC

All booths will have power for a electronics or one light/credit card machine. Additional lighting and electric is available for purchase. Free Wi-Fi is provided.



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OPENING PREVIEW PARTY

Thursday, September 9
Snow King Center 5:30-10PM

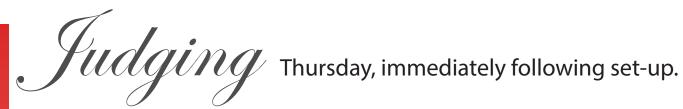


FASHION SHOWAll juried artists with Art-to-Wear ensembles are invited to apply to showcase work during the fashion show. If selected, your notification will include full production details. Awards and models are provided courtesy of the WDC, space is limited and a participation fee applies.





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YOU THE ARTIST have the opportunity to share your written story with the judges and the public. We feel that your knowledge and inspiration of materials used, design process, and concepts are important.

Describe your entry in 150 words or less. Include a typed description (in Times New Roman font) to allow the judges to gain your personal perspective as an artist when they review the piece presented.

Describe: Use of Materials

Design Details and Concepts

We want you to have an equal opportunity to present your work to the judges. A judge's assistant will read each card aloud to the panel. List your company name, artist name, city and state below your description of the piece. Place this card on your pedestal during set-up where it will remain for the duration of the 3-day WDC Exhibit + Sale.

SHIPPING & DELIVERY

Items may be shipped to the venue prior to your arrival. Include: Your Name/WDC, Snow King Center, 100 E. Snow King Avenue, Jackson, WY 83001. Items may be shipped after the WDC with a pre-paid UPS/FEDEX label. NOTHING IS TO BE LEFT BEHIND AT THE SHOW.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Limited discount block reservations are available until Aug 1, mention Western Design Conference. ALL HOTELS WILL SELL OUT, BOOK YOUR ROOMS EARLY! Snow King Hotel (adjacent to the WDC) \$239/night, condos available. Snow King Resort Reservations, 800-522-5464, snowking.com Virginian Lodge & RV Parking rooms starting at \$140/night. Judy 307-733-2792 virginianlodge.com

BADGES & SECURITY

Exhibitor badges are mandatory for entry into the show. Exhibitor badges must be worn at ALL times. This is to provide maximum security for all artists - NO EXCEPTIONS. Badges will be included in your welcome packet at check-in.

TICKETS

Each artist/exhibitor receives 10 complimentary day passes for guests (value \$150). These Exhibit + Sale tickets will be held under the artist's name at the Ticket Window for guests to pick up courtesy of the WDC. Remember to invite your clients!! Each artist/exhibitor receives 3 complimentary Opening Preview Party + Fashion Show General Admission tickets in their welcome packet (value \$150). A ticket is required for all artists/exhibitors to attend.

ADDITIONAL EVENT TICKETS

Opening Preview Party + Fashion Show Tickets and Exhibit + Sale Tickets are sold online in advance and at the door.

FOUR LEGGED FRIENDS Due to new venue regulations dogs are no longer permitted.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellation before June 1 will be subject to an administrative fee of \$100. Cancellation after June 1 will be subject to 50% of the confirmed booth and pedestal fee. NO REFUNDS after July 1, 2021.

QUESTIONS?

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Schedule of Events • Snow King Center

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

8 am-6 pm Check-in begins, Booth move-in (no pedestal setup)

Please allow enough time for move-in. Booths are permitted to unload only on Wednesday. The WDC offers complimentary assistance and dollies for off-loading should you need them. Fork lift rental is

available through the event center.

5 pm-9 pm Fashion Show rehearsal

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

8 am-Noon Artist Pedestal setup/Pedestal lighting (no booth move-in)

Pedestal setup is permitted ONLY on Thursday in order to minimize potential damages. The event staff will align lighting to best showcase your work at this time. All booth and pedestal set-up MUST be complete by

noon. Strict adherence to the schedule is mandatory.

12 pm-5 pm Judging Process

Pavilion closed to artists and booth personnel until judging is complete - NO exceptions.

6 pm-10 pm Opening Preview Party - Live Auction, Fashion Show + Exhibit + Sale, Designer Show House

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

10 am-5 pm WDC Exhibit + Sale, Designer Show House 2pm Design Excellence Awards Celebration

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

10 am-5 pm WDC Exhibit + Sale, Designer Show House

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

10 am-5 pm WDC Exhibit + Sale, Designer Show House

5:15-8 pm Pedestal and Booth breakdown (tear down will start

after 5:15 pm) No early breakdown!

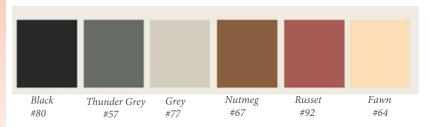
Artitude Adjustment - daily sponsored happy hours at 2pm

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

8 am-Noon Pedestal and Booth breakdown

Access closes at noon.

Booth Color Reference Chart











SOURCEBOOK



SPECIAL RATES

2 PAGE \$2495
FULL PAGE \$1495
HALF PAGE \$895
QUARTER PAGE \$495

- Official program distributed during the Exhibit + Sale
- Archival quality
- hosted online in advance via WDC website, *Homestead*, *Range*, *Mountain Living*, *Cowboys & Indians*, *Western Art & Architecture* and more...

AD CLOSE: July 10 AD MATERIALS DUE: July 12

Reserve your space today!

For more information contact Allison Merritt: allison@westerndesignconference.com 307.690.9719