



2026 Ladysmith Show & Shine Poster Call for Submission

Submission Guidelines:

This call for submission is presented by the **Ladysmith Show & Shine Society** and is coordinated by the Arts Council of Ladysmith and District. All contracts for this call are between the artist and the Ladysmith Show & Shine Society.

Learn more about the Ladysmith Show and Shine Society on their website: <https://www.ladysmithshowandshine.ca/>

Call Description: The Ladysmith Show & Shine Society is seeking emerging and professional artists from the Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands to submit designs for the 2026 Ladysmith Show and Shine poster. Artists should bring forward a fresh and exciting new perspective. The competition is open to all ages and artwork submitted should be car themed and be the artists original work. A copy of last years winning artwork and poster created from it is attached.

Application: Interested participants are required to complete the following:

1. Complete the entry form (please print).
2. You may submit up to 3 designs of original work. Submit a entry form for each submission.
3. Submission Process: You may submit your artwork **digitally** as a jpeg or PDF to Kathy@ladysmitharts.ca with *Ladysmith Show & Shine Poster Competition 2026* in the subject line.

OR **hard copy designs** can be hand delivered to the Ladysmith Gallery 32 High Street attention Kathy by calling 250-245-1252 for an appointment.

Please ensure that digital submissions of your artwork are formatted as JPG or PDF files with a minimum 300 DPI and a completed entry form is included. File names should include artists name and work title.

All submissions must be received by Monday, June 8, 2026 midnight. For questions please email: kathy@ladysmitharts.ca or call 250-245-1252

PRIZE

One honorarium of \$500 will be awarded to the Artist whose design is chosen by the Ladysmith Show and Shine Selection Committee.

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Poster Call

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Technical Considerations:

- Artwork must be appropriate for audiences of all ages and respectful of the diversity of perspectives in our community.
- Designs must be original with no advertisements, logos or website information. Artists may sign their work.
- Designs should be imaginative, original interpretations, and of a car theme. Preference will be given to art work that features vintage vehicles. Designs may be a still or active shot such as vehicle in motion, multiple subjects or singular, could also be scenic such as an abandoned antique found in the bush. Part of a vehicle is acceptable such as a close up of a tail fin or headlight, steering wheel roofline against a contrast.
- We are looking for a work that will appeal to a person that truly appreciates the creative energy of automobile design and the depth to look beyond basic function and appreciate the character of the machine. That we can promote local is an underlying principle of our show and shine.
- **The poster will be a 10"x14" size**, we encourage artists to keep these dimensions in mind when designing the work.
- Background colour for the T-shirt will be black or white most likely, Keep contrast in mind for both options.
- Artists should consider leaving some empty 'space' for dates and titles, etc., that will be added afterwards, when designing their work.
- **Photographs must be at least 300 dpi**, if photo quality is deemed insufficient the original work must be available for new photos to be taken.
- The artist will be acknowledged by name on the event poster, on the website and at the event.

Copyright: Artists maintain copyright of their original designs.

The Ladysmith Show and Shine Society will have the right to use the selected design for print posters (for marketing and sale purposes), digital marketing, and print up to 150 t-shirts for the 2026 event. All profits made from the sale of printed posters and t-shirts will be the property of the Ladysmith Show & Shine Society. The selected design may be reproduced in photographs and be used by the Show and Shine Society for marketing purposes as both digitally and in print .

Opportunity for All Entrants after Competition: All entrants will be invited to display their original work for sale at the admin booth for the event, the Ladysmith Show and Shine Society will retain a 20% commission of sales which will be donated by the society to a local charity.