

Merchandise Design Competition At the Philadelphia Sketch Club

April 5th – April 26th, 2026



Entry Information:

- **Entry is by on-line submission: [Philadelphia Sketch Club - Calls](#)**
- **Submissions:** This is an **open, juried call** for illustrative and graphic design works **to be used as promotional and commercial merchandise for the PSC. Submitted work must be digitally rendered.** You may submit up to 10 works. Maximum accepted works per artist is 2. Members, Non-Members, and students are eligible. After jurying, finalists will be displayed in an online gallery on sketchclub.org, and in person in our Stewart Gallery. Finalists are required to print, frame, and securely wire accepted works to be hung in the competition. Works accepted online that are deemed unable to hang will not be displayed.
- **NOTICE:** In submitting your work for this show, you are consenting to the Philadelphia Sketch Club's use of your design for merchandising purposes. The PSC will retain all reproduction and usage rights to the work. You may continue to use the work in your personal portfolio and share online.
- From the finalists, **three winners** will be chosen via public vote to have their work used in future PSC merchandising.

Works Eligible: Works must be digital submitted with **300dpi** resolution. Works may not exceed 12" wide x 14" height. We encourage artists to keep designs within basic shape boundaries (square, rectangle, circle). These works will be used for merchandise; please limit to 5 colors maximum. Any fonts used must be cleared for commercial use. **Works created using AI are not eligible in any PSC exhibition. Finalists' work may be available for sale but not required.** The PSC takes a 25% commission on all sales. All work must be original and not previously shown at the PSC. Please include potential shipping cost in price.

View our Merchandise Competition page for suggested design themes, inspiration, and optional guidance.

Entry Fees:

- Students & PSC Members: \$10 for first piece, \$5 for each additional work
- Non-Members: \$15 for first piece, \$5 for each additional work
- **Online Entry Assistance:** contact gallerymanager@sketchclub.org

Important Dates:

- **Deadline for on-line submissions:** 11:59 PM Friday, March 15th, 2026.
- **Notification of competition acceptance:** Emails sent week of Tuesday, March 17th. Check your spam!
- **Delivery:** Sunday, March 29th 1-3 PM; Wednesday, April 1st 1-5 PM; Friday, April 3rd 1-5 PM (If shipping artwork, view PSC Shipping Terms and Conditions on our website).
- **Pick Up:** Sunday, April 26th 1-3 PM; Wednesday, April 29th 1-5 PM; Friday, May 1st 1-5 PM

Work ***cannot*** be stored at the club and must be picked up, or a pickup date arranged at a later time. Any work not picked up more than **30 days** after the end of an exhibition becomes property of the PSC.

- **Reception:** Sunday, April 12th, **1-3 PM**. Public voting will commence on April 5th. Voting will close on April 26th. Winners will be publicly announced on May 17th.

Awards, Chair, and Juror:

Awards: First, Second, and Third place awards will be selected for merchandising. Prizes are check awards, certificates, and gift cards to BLICK Art Materials. Juror(s) will select works for competition exhibition; prizes are awarded after public vote. Awards are handed out at the May Reception at 2:00 PM.

- **Juror: PSC Board**
- **Exhibition Chair & Coordinator:** Alex Torch

Liability: All work will be handled with care; however, the Philadelphia Sketch Club may not be held liable for loss or damage of work, including during shipping to and/or from the PSC. All submitting artists agree to allow their work to be used for PSC promotional material. Any work not picked up more than 30 days after the end of an exhibition becomes property of the PSC.

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(between 12th & 13th and Locust & Spruce)