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3rd Annual International Strings Art Competition Official Submission Form

Artist Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

City / State or Province / Postal code: _____

Country: _____ Phone: _____

Complete if artist is under 18: Artist age: _____ Parent name: _____

Name of artwork (s) 1. _____ Medium: _____

2. _____ Medium: _____

3. _____ Medium: _____

For more entries list name and medium on the reverse. Please read "How to Enter" below.

My Story: (optional)

In one short paragraph, tell us a little about the inspiration behind your artwork. The stories will be printed in the calendar with the winning artworks. This is not a resume; you will not be judged on your story. If you want to submit a different story for each artwork, attach additional pages. Your story may be edited for content or length by our editors.

Please accept my work for consideration in the 2008 Strings Art Competition. I certify that my entry is original, unpublished, conceived and created entirely by me. I have read and fully understand the rules of the competition, and agree to allow The Violin Case, LLC to publish my artwork, my name, and my story in the 2009 Celebrate the Strings Calendar, and to reproduce my artwork in electronic or computer-based information services, or in promotion materials in reference to this and subsequent calendars. I understand that The Violin Case, LLC retains all commercial rights for each winning artwork in producing and selling the calendar. I understand that I will not be financially compensated if my artwork is selected to be in the published calendar.

Artist Signature

Date

Parent Signature (required if artist is under 18)

Date



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3rd Annual International String Art Competition PROSPECTUS:

ARTWORK

Only original artwork will be considered. Artwork **MUST** include one or more of the instruments from the bowed string instrument family, ie. the Violin, Viola, Cello, or String Bass (sorry, no guitar). You may use any medium to create your art including oil, pastel, watercolor, photo, digital art, sculpture, crafts, etc.

ELIGIBILITY

The competition is open to artists anywhere in the world and artists of any age. Only original artwork, conceived and created by the entrant, will be considered. Employees of *The Violin Case, LLC*, and their immediate families, are not eligible. If you submitted artwork in previous competitions and did not win, you may resubmit the same artwork this year following guidelines below. Artworks published in our previous calendars are not eligible.

HOW TO ENTER

Create your artwork in any medium. Take a high-resolution, professional photograph of your art or scan it into the computer. Send us a **5"x7" or larger photo** (bigger is better, exact dimensions can vary), **or a CD with a digital photo or scanned image**. The digital image **MUST** be **300 dpi**. If you're not sure if you have this, please find someone to ask. Do not send the original artwork. You will not be required to send the original even if you are selected as a winner. **Do not send your digital photo or entry form by email** (the photo file should be too large to send by email anyway). An Official Entry Form (above) must accompany all entries. There is no limit to the number of pieces you may enter; however, each artist will only be able to have one winning piece. Incomplete entry forms, such as those without telephone numbers or signatures, will be disqualified. If you want your photos or CD's returned, please include a SASE (self-addressed stamped envelope). *The Violin Case* will not be responsible for the loss or damage of any artwork submitted to the competition. Entries that do not comply with the above requirements will not be considered.

PREPARING YOUR ARTWORK

Do not send the original artwork. Take a photo or scan as described above. All photos and CD's should be labeled individually and legibly with a sticker which must include the following information: artist name, address, phone number, and email.

DEADLINE

Deadline: All entries must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2008.

JUDGING

Finalists will be chosen by a selection committee. Winners will be chosen from the finalists by up to 4 impartial judges selected by The Violin Case. They will consist of up to 2 professional string players and 2 professional artists. Criteria for winning:

1. Degree to which the artwork reflects a love of the instrument.
2. Originality.
3. Use of the medium.
4. Creativity.

NOTIFICATION

All winners will be notified via email by May 30, 2008. The results will not otherwise be made public until they are published on *The Violin Case* website (www.theviolincase.com/art). Non-winning entrants will not be individually notified of the results.

SEND ENTRIES TO:

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