



2025 BASIC RESEARCH ART OF SCIENCE SHOWCASE



2025 AoS Submission Guidelines

About the Showcase:

To honor the Air Force Research Laboratory's (AFRL) Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR) 74 years of research innovation and to educate the world about the importance of basic research, we invite you to be part of this showcase by submitting your basic research inspired art. Our goal is that your art will reveal the beauty behind many of the basic research inspired innovations past, present and future that continue to support the United States Air Force and Space Force.

***Disclaimer:** This is a showcase, not a contest or competition. No voting, judging or winners chosen. All qualified entries will be displayed in an online gallery, and some will be shared in AFRL/AFOSR social media posts, and potentially at Department of Defense (DoD) meetings and in DoD facilities.*

By participating, applicants grant AFRL and DoD permission to display and use their artwork for future informational and educational purposes.

Submissions Requirements:

- Title, date of creation by artist/s
- Artist Statement: Inspiration behind your art piece and/or rendering
- Artwork must be related to the Department of Defense definition of Basic Research:
 - *Basic research leads to new knowledge. It provides scientific capital. It creates the fund from which the practical applications of knowledge must be drawn. New products and new processes do not appear full-grown. They are founded on new principles and new conceptions, which in turn are painstakingly developed by research in the purest realms of science.*
- Art must be an original piece created by the entrant/group submitting the artwork
- Images must be a high-resolution image (300 dpi) and at least 3,000 pixels wide on the longest edge
- Accepted file formats: jpg, gif, tif or png
- Images cannot contain any personally identifiable information and must be appropriate for all audiences

What Can Be Submitted:

- Photographs, GIFs, microscope images, visual depiction of complex datasets, the result of modeling and simulation, combined images, creative representations of your work, illustrations, visualizations, renderings, and mixed media are welcome. **NOTE: If your artwork is 3D, please upload a picture of your final piece.**

Dates and Deadlines

Portal Opens: 29 Oct 2024
Portal closes: 6 Jan 2025

Information & Inspiration

Need inspiration? Visit the [2025 Basic Research Art of Science Showcase landing page](#) for inspiration and make sure to follow us on Instagram at [@AFResearchLab](#).

Eligibility

All are invited to submit art pieces, but the showcase may be of special interest to:

- Artists,
- AFRL/AFOSR grantees,
- educators,
- students,
- members of the art and STEAM communities

Questions?

For questions about the showcase or your submission, please contact the AFRL Public Affairs Team (in subject line, please include 2025 AOS) at afrl.pa@us.af.mil

Submissions Due:

**6 January 2025
by 11:59 p.m. ET**