



Puget Sound Local Yarn Store Tour

2026 LYS TOUR ART DESIGN CONTEST

OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES

The Puget Sound Local Yarn Store Tour is seeking a beautiful design to represent the 2026 LYS Tour!

The winning design will be the Official Artwork celebrating the 2026 LYS Tour featured on the LYSTour.com website, social media accounts, merchandise, prizes, Tour passport, and other 2026 LYS Tour promotions and items. The Winner of our art contest will receive a \$250 gift certificate that can be used at any of the participating yarn shops on the 2026 LYS Tour. The prize gift certificate may be split between any two participating shops as selected by the Winner.

The “2026 LYS Tour Art Design Contest” is sponsored by the Western Washington Yarn Shop Association (WWYSA and the Sponsor). This contest is governed by these official rules (“Official Rules”). By participating in the contest, each Entrant agrees to abide by these Official Rules and Artwork Submission Guidelines, including all eligibility requirements and understands that the results of the contest, as determined by Sponsor and its agents, are final in all respects. The contest is subject to all federal, state and local laws and regulations and is void where prohibited.

1. **Contest Eligibility Requirements.** This contest is open only to individuals who are 18 years of age or older as of the date of entry and who sign up submitting an entry using the Google Form via the online link listed below. The contest is only open to legal residents of the United States. The contest is subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Void where prohibited.
2. **Agreement to Rules.** By participating, the Entrant agrees to be fully and unconditionally bound by these Official Contest Rules, and represents and warrants that the Entrant meets the eligibility requirements. In addition, the Entrant agrees to accept the decisions of WWYSA as final and binding as it relates to the contest.

3. Time Period to Accept Entries to the Contest. Entries will be accepted online starting on September 20, 2025 at 11:59 pm PT and ending January 11, 2026 at 11:59 pm PT. All online entries must be received by January 11, 2026 at 11:59 pm Pacific.
4. How to Enter. The contest must be entered by completing and submitting an entry using the online form via the link listed below. The entry must fulfill all contest requirements and Artwork Submission Guidelines, as further specified below, to be eligible to win a prize. Entries that are incomplete or do not adhere to the rules or specifications may be disqualified at the sole discretion of WWYSA. Entrants may enter more than once, provided that each entry must contain a different original design and be submitted separately using the online form via the link listed below. If any Entrant uses fraudulent methods or otherwise attempts to circumvent the rules, all of that Entrant's submissions may be removed from eligibility at the sole discretion of WWYSA.

Submit using 2026 LYS Tour Art Design Contest Entry Form on LYS Tour website:
<https://www.lystour.com/>

5. Artwork Submission Guidelines. The submission must be the original design and artwork created solely by the Entrant, original to the Entrant, and previously unpublished. Entrants must own the full copyright to the final work and all individual assets used in their creation. Original digital artwork is allowed, and creators may utilize digital design software, provided that the submission is the sole and full creation of the Entrant. The submission should consider the general themes of the LYS Tour (knitting and crochet, yarn, the PNW, travel, sheep and alpacas, city life and small towns, ocean and forest, mountains and valleys), use up to 4 colors, lines should be bold and crisp, square or round dimensions are preferred, and artwork should be submitted as a png or svg file. Entrants may enter more than once, provided that each entry must contain a different original design and be submitted separately using the above Form.
6. No AI-Generated Content. The use of generative tools, enhancements, or alterations that incorporate artificial intelligence (AI), digital image generation, or similar technologies is strictly prohibited. Any entry found to incorporate AI-generated content, in whole or in part, will be disqualified. Contest organizers may request source files or reference materials at any time to verify originality and rule compliance. WWYSA reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to disqualify any individual who fails to comply with this rule.
7. Prize. The winner of the contest (the "Winner") will receive either: (i) a \$250 Gift Certificate to one of the yarn shops participating in the 2026 LYS Tour, or (ii) two \$125 Gift Certificates to two yarn shops participating the 2026 LYS Tour, as selected by the Winner. The specifics of the prize shall be solely determined by WWYSA. No cash or other prize substitution shall be permitted except at WWYSA's discretion.

The prize is nontransferable. Any and all prize related expenses, including without limitation any and all federal, state, and/or local taxes, shall be the sole responsibility of the Winner. No substitution of the prize or transfer/assignment of the prize to others or request for the cash equivalent by the Winner is permitted. Acceptance of prize constitutes permission for WWYSA to use the Winner's name, likeness, and entry for purposes of advertising and trade without further compensation, unless prohibited by law.

8. Odds. The odds of winning depend on the number of eligible entries received and the number of votes each entry gets.
9. Winner Selection and Notification. Finalists will be selected by an initial committee of the WWYSA. The Winner will be chosen from the finalists selected by vote of the member yarn shops participating in the 2026 LYS Tour. The Winner will be notified by email and/or telephone within fourteen (14) days following selection of the Winner. WWYSA shall have no liability for the Winner's failure to receive notices due to spam, junk e-mail or other security settings or for the Winner's provision of incorrect or otherwise non-functioning contact information. If the Winner cannot be contacted, is ineligible, fails to claim the prize within fourteen (14) days from the time award notification was sent, or fails to timely return a completed and executed declaration and release as required, the prize may be forfeited and an alternate Winner selected. Receipt by the Winner of the prize offered in this contest is conditioned upon compliance with any and all federal, state, and local laws and regulations. ANY VIOLATION OF THESE OFFICIAL RULES BY THE WINNER (AS DETERMINED IN WWYSA'S SOLE DISCRETION) WILL RESULT IN THE WINNER'S DISQUALIFICATION AS THE WINNER OF THE CONTEST, AND ALL PRIVILEGES AS THE WINNER WILL BE IMMEDIATELY TERMINATED.
10. Rights Granted by Entrant. By entering this content (e.g., photo, video, text, etc.), the Entrant understands, agrees, and grants to WWYSA, anyone acting on behalf of WWYSA, and WWYSA's licensees, successors, and assigns, the limited right, where permitted by law, to print, publish, broadcast, distribute, and use in any media now known or hereafter developed, in and throughout the World, without limitation, the Entrant's entry, name, portrait, picture, voice, likeness, image, statements about the contest, and biographical information for news, publicity, information, trade, advertising, public relations, and promotional purposes related to the 2026 Puget Sound LYS Tour, including the right to edit, composite, scan, duplicate or alter the entry design as necessary for reproduction, without any further compensation, notice, review, or consent. The Entrant will be credited in all uses of the design. The Entrant shall retain copyright and all other rights related to the entry design. No additional compensation will be provided for these limited rights. By entering this content, the Entrant represents and warrants that his/her/their entry is an original work of authorship, does not incorporate or include any material that would require the consent of any third party, and does not violate any copyright, trademark,

publicity right, privacy right, or any other any third party's proprietary or intellectual property rights. If any entry infringes upon the intellectual property right of another, the Entrant will be disqualified at the sole discretion of WWYSA. If the content of any entry is claimed to constitute an infringement of any proprietary or intellectual proprietary rights of any third party, the Entrant shall, at their sole expense, defend or settle against any such claims. The Entrant shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless WWYSA from and against any suit, proceeding, claims, liability, loss, damage, costs or expense, which WWYSA may incur, suffer, or be required to pay arising out of such infringement or suspected infringement of any third party's right.

11. **Terms & Conditions.** WWYSA reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend this contest should a virus, bug, non-authorized human intervention, fraud, or other cause beyond WWYSA's control corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, or proper conduct of the contest. In such a case, WWYSA may select the Winner from all eligible entries received prior to and/or after (if appropriate) the action taken by WWYSA. WWYSA reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to disqualify any individual who tampers or attempts to tamper with the entry process or the operation of the contest or website or violates these Terms & Conditions. WWYSA has the right, in its sole discretion, to maintain the integrity of the contest, to void votes for any reason, including, but not limited to: multiple entries from the same user from different IP addresses; multiple entries from the same computer in excess of that allowed by contest rules; or the use of bots, macros, scripts, or other technical means for entering. Any attempt by an Entrant to deliberately damage any website or undermine the legitimate operation of the contest may be a violation of criminal and civil laws. Should such an attempt be made, WWYSA reserves the right to report illegal activity to law enforcement and seek damages to the fullest extent permitted by law.
12. **Limitation of Liability.** By entering, the Entrant agrees to release and hold harmless WWYSA and its subsidiaries, affiliates, advertising and promotion agencies, partners, representatives, agents, successors, assigns, employees, officers, and directors from any liability, illness, injury, death, loss, litigation, claim, or damage that may occur, directly or indirectly, whether caused by negligence or not, from: (i) such Entrant's participation in the contest and/or his/her/their acceptance, possession, use, or misuse of any prize or any portion thereof; (ii) technical failures of any kind, including but not limited to the malfunction of any computer, cable, network, hardware, or software, or other mechanical equipment; (iii) the unavailability or inaccessibility of any transmissions, telephone, or Internet service; (iv) unauthorized human intervention in any part of the entry process or the contest promotion; (v) electronic or human error in the administration of the promotion or contest or the processing of entries.

13. Disputes. THIS CONTEST IS GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE STATE OF WASHINGTON WITHOUT RESPECT TO CONFLICT OF LAW DOCTRINES. As a condition of participating in this contest, the Entrant agrees that any and all disputes that cannot be resolved between the parties, and causes of action arising out of or connected with this contest, shall be resolved individually, without resort to any form of class action, exclusively before a court located in THE STATES OF WASHINGTON having jurisdiction. Further, in any such dispute, under no circumstances shall a participant be permitted to obtain awards for, and hereby waives all rights to, punitive, incidental, or consequential damages, including reasonable attorney's fees, other than participant's actual out-of-pocket expenses (i.e. costs associated with entering this contest). The Entrant further waives all rights to have damages multiplied or increased.
14. Privacy Policy. Information submitted with an entry is subject to the Privacy Policy stated on the WWYSA website.
15. Winners List. To obtain a copy of the Winner's name or a copy of these Official Rules, mail your request along with a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: Western Washington Yarn Shop Association, 17171 Bothell Way NE #A119, Lake Forest Park, WA 98155. Requests must be received no later than March 31, 2026 at 5:00 pm PT.
16. Sponsor. The sponsor of the contest is Western Washington Yarn Shop Association, 17171 Bothell Way NE #A119, Lake Forest Park, WA 98155. Any Questions may also be sent to lystour@gmail.com
17. Facebook/Instagram/Media. The promotional contest is hosted by WWYSA and is in no way sponsored, endorsed, administered by, or associated with any individual participating yarn shops, Facebook, Instagram, or other internet or media company. Any questions, comments or complaints regarding the promotion should be directed to the Western Washington Yarn Shop Association.
18. Submission. By submitting your contest form and art image, the Entrant represents that he/she/they affirmatively reviewed, accepted, and agreed to all of the Official Rules.

By participation in the contest, the Entrant and artist accepts and agrees to comply with these Official Rules.

NO PURCHASE OR PAYMENT OF ANY KIND IS NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN.

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