

NUMBERS GAME

By John Kent

Math and art usually don't mix, but we decided to take a deeper look at **Art in the Square** to see how things add up. For more on the festival, see Page 24.

2,100 The number of miles that Mary Sly will travel from her home in Friday Harbor, on Washington's San Juan Island, to exhibit at **Art in the Square** — the longest journey of all the participating artists. The shortest trips? Gregory Arth, Pamela Blaies (both of Colleyville) and Trish Biddle (Southlake), are each driving less than 10 miles.



12 The number of media categories at **Art in the Square**, from ceramics to watercolors. "Artists today are using their imagination and talent to combine more than one medium to create their art," says Sherri Whitt, marketing/publicity chair. "There are no limits to these combinations."

\$3,000,000

The amount of money **Art in the Square** has generated for 71 different charities since its beginning in 2000. The event raised \$162,000 last year, with the money distributed to 31 charitable organizations. Thirty-four charities have been selected as beneficiaries of the 2020 event's proceeds.



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0 The number of paid event planners for **Art in the Square**. The show is organized and run solely by volunteers, who numbered about 1,300 in 2019.

1,000s The number of colors an artist typically uses in a single work of art. According to **Art in the Square** participant George Jones, artists constantly mix colors, and the resulting number of hues in the composition could be in the thousands by the time the work is completed.

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