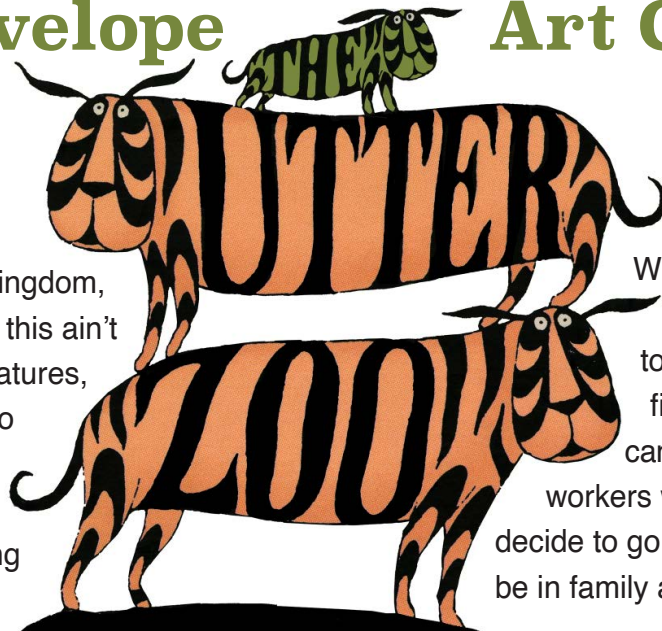


The Edward Gorey House

2026 Envelope Art Contest



This is no peaceable kingdom, this isn't some petting zoo, this ain't no disco. We're talking creatures, either real or imagined, who are tired of being teased and they've (literally) got a bone to pick. We're talking an absolute **Utter Zoo**.

Whatever it is you come up with must be able to graze within the confines of an envelope. It cannot easily harm postal workers who carry it and if you decide to go with *Udder Zoo* it best be in family appropriate attire.

You have from now until Tuesday, December 1st (postmark deadline) to send us your best, or worst, fauna. Our 2026 Art Contest will be a compilation of creatures, a bestiary, a compendium of the fictional, plausible, cranky, vengeful or just highly undomesticated.

Postmark Deadline:
Tuesday, Dec 1st, 2026

The only thing your entry needs to contain is the form below—or the below info in some way included. Incomplete info results in quiet and immediate disqualification.

Mail your entry to: The Edward Gorey House
8 Strawberry Lane
Yarmouth Port, MA 02675

The Official Envelope Art Contest Rules: Rule one: have fun • Also, your artwork must be on either a stamped or metered envelope • Envelopes may be placed *inside* an outer envelope, but the interior entry should then have a faux stamp you've created • Artwork submissions from schools may be mailed in one single envelope (previous stamp rule applies) • Contact info below must be included for the artwork to be eligible including the Age Category • Age Categories are 5 and under, 6 to 10, 11 to 14, 15 to 18 and Over 18. Saying that you are way over 18 does not elicit any sympathy from the judges • We reserve the right to fluctuate the ages of the two youngest categories based on submissions • There are no size restrictions though very large envelopes are unlikely to be displayed if they are larger than our album • Entries will not be returned to the artist once they have been mailed to the House so make a copy • In submitting artwork to the Edward Gorey Envelope Contest you agree that, should the opportunity arise, you allow your entry to be displayed in an art venue other than the House. Also, should there be an off-site display no personal contact info of the artist will be displayed and artwork will not be for sale. It will remain in the collection of the Edward Gorey House • The Postmark Deadline is **Tuesday, December 1st 2026** and final results will begin to be announced by December 15th • Overseas entries should be in the mail at least a month before postmark deadline • Winners & Finalists in each age category will be contacted via email—make sure it is readable. Winners, finalists and favorites will be displayed in the Edward Gorey House beginning in the Spring of 2027 • Get to it.

We need to know the below artist information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Age: _____ Phone (optional) _____

Email: _____

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Please print as though someone was going to read it.

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