

2012 Cotton District Arts Festival

Artisans' Village Application

Eligibility

Items offered for sale **must be original work** of the **Artist** and must be representative of that described in the application. No craft kits allowed. No factory made wearable items, regardless of artistic enhancement. Original artwork is defined as both handmade and/or the repurposing of items which results in the creation of new and unique works of art. Juried selection of artists is based on creativity, quality, and originality.

Artisan Obligations

Only Artists accompanying their original work may participate in the festival. Booth displays must remain intact until the show ends. Artisans should be prepared for inclement weather conditions such as wind or rain. Each booth must be manned at all times during the festival.

Booths

Booth size is 10' x 10'. Artisans must provide their own booth structures, and are not to exceed the allowed space. Structures should be safe and adaptable to any surface irregularities in the streets and adjacent areas of the Cotton District. Weights are recommended for all canopies. The Cotton District Arts Festival is not responsible for the loss or damage of items.

Only the artist's original prints properly signed and numbered may be hung in the booth. Commercial reproductions may be shown in flip bins and must be clearly labeled as, "reproductions". Items containing collegiate or organizational logos and emblems are not allowed.

Booth space may be shared by a maximum of two artists. One application should be completed. Each artist must submit images of their work. Artists may purchase more than one booth.

Final booth locations and instructions will be provided prior to the festival. Set up will begin at 5:00 a.m. the morning of the festival and should be completed by 8:00 a.m. After 8:00 a.m. streets will be closed.

Booth locations are the sole discretion of the Artisans Village committee.

Taxes

Cotton District Arts Festival is responsible for collecting state (Mississippi) and local sales taxes.

All Artisans are responsible for collecting sales tax (7%) as required by law. Taxes collected must be turned into the Festival Committee in the tax envelopes provided. A representative of the CDAF Finance Committee will collect taxes during the last hours of the festival. **ARTISANS MUST PAY before leaving the festival.**

Acceptance

Acceptance is the discretion of the Artisans' Village Selection Panel of Jurors and is based on information submitted. **Previous acceptance does not guarantee future acceptance.** Incomplete entries will not be considered.

Entry Exemptions

Mississippi Craftsman Guild members are automatically accepted when the application is postmarked by the entry deadline. Entry requirements must still be met, including photograph submittal.

Previous 2 year CDAF award winners are automatically accepted when the application is postmarked by the entry deadline. No photographs are required.

Entry fees will be refunded through March 19th, 2012, upon written request made to CDAF.

The Cotton District Arts Festival may request removal of any items that differ from the application submitted and accepted, or any items or displays that are inappropriate to the festival. CDAF reserves the right to make final interpretation of all rules.

ENTRY CHECKLIST:

1. Completed Artisans' Village Application (please print legibly).
2. CD with 5 high-resolution images/photographs
3. Stamped self addressed envelope for returning CD and notification letter.
4. \$100 Check (\$125 for late applicants) for booth fee made payable to CDAF.

Name

Address

City

State

ZIP

Phone

E-Mail

Craftsman's Guild Member

YES/ NO

Booth spaces

Electricity / Special Request

General Release

The undersigned does hereby and forever discharge the Cotton District Arts Festival and the Starkville Area Arts Council from all manner of actions, suits, damages, claims, and demands whatsoever in law or equity from any loss or damage to the undersigned's property, while in possession, supervision, or auspices of the Cotton District Arts Festival and the Starkville Area Arts Council, its agents and representatives. The undersigned has read and agrees to comply with all rules printed in this application.

Applicant's Signature

Date

FEES

Checks payable to Cotton District Arts Festival (CDAF) must be submitted for each of the following:

- 1) Entry fee \$100 per booth space
 - 2) Late fee \$25 additional per booth space after February 20 2012
- Entry fee will be returned if application is declined.

DEADLINES

- February 20 Application must be postmarked by 2/20/12
- March 12 Notification mailed to artists. Do not call, All notifications will be mailed via USPS.
- March 19 Late application deadline with \$25 late fee. Last day of refunds.
- April 2 Notification mailed to late applicants.

ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS

Each applicant is required to submit five (5) high resolution jpeg images/photographs on a CD of their current work. The CD must be labeled with the artists name, address, phone number, and e-mail address. Images must be representative of work to be for sale at the festival.

- File dimensions – 1920 pixels longest side
- File format - Standard JPEG
- File size - 2.0 MB maximum

Exemptions - Previous 2 years CDAF award winners are not required to submit images. All other requirements apply.

Please circle the category and check the medium that most closely describes your art work.

A. PAINTING		
<input type="checkbox"/> Oil	<input type="checkbox"/> Acrylic	<input type="checkbox"/> Watercolor
<input type="checkbox"/> MIXED MEDIA		
B. SCULPURE		
<input type="checkbox"/> Metal	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood	<input type="checkbox"/> Glass
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		
C. GRAPHICS / PHOTOGRAPHY / DRAWING		
D. CLAY		
E. JEWELRY		
F. TRADITIONAL CRAFTS		
<input type="checkbox"/> BASKETRY	<input type="checkbox"/> WOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> FURNITURE
<input type="checkbox"/> CLOTHING /FIBER	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER	

CD IMAGES / PHOTOGRAPHS

(1)	<u>Description</u>
	<u>Materials /Technique</u>
(2)	<u>Description</u>
	<u>Materials /Technique</u>
(3)	<u>Description</u>
	<u>Materials /Technique</u>
(4)	<u>Description</u>
	<u>Materials /Technique</u>
(5)	<u>Description</u>
	<u>Materials /Technique</u>

Please describe your technique, materials you use, and any additional information concerning your work.

AWARDS

Judging will be completed by a panel and awarding of prizes will be completed by noon on the day of the festival. Awards for outstanding artisans include:

- Best of Show \$350
- Best in Category (6) \$125
- Spirit Award \$100

Mail Application to:

Artisans' Village / SAAC
101 S. Lafayette St. Suite 18
Starkville, MS 39759

QUESTIONS:

Contact Laurie Burton, Artisans' Village Chair
e-mail lburton@garan.com
For general information about the festival go to www.starkvillearts.org or call the Starkville Area Arts Council Office at 662-324-3080.

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