

Exhibitor Agreement and Guidelines 2018

We are so happy that you have decided to be a part of the 2018 Carmel Fine Art & Music Festival.

Waiver of Liability:

Niagara Arts Showcase and *The Carmel Fine Art and Music Festival* management, have the right to terminate this agreement at our sole discretion. The artist will not hold *Niagara Arts Showcase* or *The Carmel Fine Art and Music Festival* board of directors, management and/or staff responsible for anything that may happen while setting up, tearing down, lost or stolen items while exhibiting on the festival grounds.

Your completed Application with payment must be submitted by online, by email or postmarked by **April 15, 2018 deadline**.

Payment can be made:

By e-transfer to: info@niagaraartsshowcase.com

or

By Cheque to: *The Carmel Fine Art & Music Festival*,
c/o *Niagara Arts Showcase*, 4617 Buckley Ave., Niagara Falls, ON L2E 4A3.

*****Please make cheque payable to ***Niagara Arts Showcase***

The 2018 Art Committee reserves the right to jury all artists as to the appropriateness for the show and assess the applicant's needs for displaying their work. There is a limited number of each size booth and we must assess the artists' needs in order to accommodate all of the artists.

If an artist wishes to cancel their application for any reason, the Carmel Fine Art & Music Festival requires written notification on or before June 1, 2018 so a full refund can be made to you. After June 1 to August 15, a 15% penalty will be deducted. After August 15 to Sept 14, a 20% penalty will be deducted only if the booth can be resold. If the booth cannot be sold, there will be no refund.

Exhibitor Guidelines:

At least 80% of display must be original artwork (including artisan ceramics, pottery, raku, jewellery, glass, fabric, wood, or sculpture). All artwork must be completed within the last three years for display and for sale. "Original artwork painting" means original artwork conceived and created by the artist. "Original" also means that if a painting is based on photos, the photos were taken by the artist.

- "Traditional media" meaning: oil, oil pastel, soft pastel, charcoal, graphite, ink, watercolour, casein, gouache, encaustic, acrylic, mixed media (all water media or oil based media); silver or other metal point; collage, mixed media collage; dye, wax and other crayons on canvas, paper, handmade paper, fabric, or board; fine art photography; printmaking (etching, mezzotint, lithography, woodcut, monotype, mono print, aquatint).
- Only 20% reproductions are allowed for display. High quality reproductions, giclée and limited edition reproduction prints are acceptable in your booth. Reproductions such as T-shirts or posters will **not** be considered nor allowed on display. Work created from assembly kits or manufactured items are also unacceptable.
- Artists are only permitted to include art medium which has been approved by the committee.
- Artists are required to be on site for all days and hours of operation.
- Please note the booth panels are 1/4" thick solid wood. 30 1/4 inch Robertson screws will be provided to you upon arrive. If you have concerns about this please speak to the Art Co-ordinator. Please also bring screw drivers and/or drills to insert the screws. There may be some limited assistance by the festival to assist with the placement of the screws.
- A small table display with art cards, portfolio of unframed artwork, and small floor easels are acceptable provided they are in your allotted booth space, do not extend past the end of your space and are not a walking hazard to guests. It is at the sole discretion of the Art Co-ordinator to ask the vendor to remove any displays that do not meet our rules and guidelines.

- Carmel Fine Art & Music Festival will supply each Indoor booth with a large name plate that has the name of the exhibitor and the city of origin. Special permission is required ahead of time for artist name signs that are displayed - especially if they are large signs that might restrict the view of other vendors. Advertising boards/banners are not allowed.
- All artists must provide their own lighting. The Indoor wall booths have a channel at the top to accommodate lighting, with access to electricity. It is suggested that you bring a long extension chord in the event that you need it. Please consider using LED bulbs for a cool light option. Please be considerate of your artist neighbours and the booth walls you share with them when installing your lighting system.
- Outdoor booths will not have electricity provided. For Saturday evening, you may wish to bring lighting that does not require electricity.
- The gallery is air conditioned/heated with lighting coming from lights in the ceiling and windows.
- Exhibitors are required to ensure that displays do not obstruct the general view of neighbouring exhibitors or aisles due to fire regulations.
- Artisans certify and guarantee that they have adequate liability and property insurance and assume full responsibility for any liability or damages to themselves, other artisans, guests occurring while on the 'host' property at the Carmel Fine Art & Music Festival and further Carmel Fine Arts & Music Festival shall not be held responsible for any loss or damage as a result of vandalism, theft or an act of God within your host space.
- Artists are to conduct themselves in a professional manner and follow all rules and regulations outlined in the agreement.
- Security is provided Friday and Saturday night. All liability is the responsibility of the exhibitor. The Carmel Fine Art & Music Festival and Niagara Arts Showcase assumes no responsibility for loss or damage to any property of the exhibitor.
- Any space not claimed and occupied for which no special arrangements have been made by 3PM the evening of set up (Fri Sept 14th) may be resold or reassigned by show management without obligation on the part of the Carmel Fine Art and Music Festival to reimburse the exhibitor.
- No exhibitor may sublet any portion of his or her booth space to another artist.
- All artists are responsible for the sale and collection of taxes for their own work. We do not monitor this. An ATM will be available on site for your convenience.
- This show is RAIN or SHINE - no refunds will be given in the event of inclement weather. Please prepare accordingly.
- Outdoor Show times Sat 9am to 6pm or Sat 9am to 11pm and Sun 9am to 6pm. A concert will be part of the festival after 6pm on Sat. Security will be enforced if you are not open

Notification and Cancellation Policy 2018

The Carmel Fine Art & Music Festival will notify all artists by May 15th, 2018 by email.

Applicants on a Waiting List: The Carmel Fine Art & Music Festival retains a waiting list of applicants until the Festival weekend and will notify all applicants on a booth waiting basis by e-mail.

Refunds: Should your application not be accepted, the Carmel Fine Art & Music Festival will refund your \$100 deposit. All refunds will be returned to you after **June 1, 2018**.

Accepted Artist Cancellations: If an artist wishes to cancel their application for any reason, the Carmel Fine Art & Music Festival requires written notification on or before **June 1, 2018** so a full refund can be made to you.

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