

MADISON ART CLUB

Art on Main Exhibitor Inquiry Packet Process:

1. Complete a Membership Application Form

The Madison Art Club (MAC) established in 1949 is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization. MAC members (200+ exhibiting and/or non-exhibiting members) are involved in supporting the arts and artists in the Madison area, through special exhibits, workshops and community outreach. We are first and foremost an art club to benefit the members-artists and our community. Artists are encouraged to become members of the MAC and to participate in the Club, even if the main interest is to exhibit at Art On Main. Annual dues are \$25 per calendar year. The MAC membership meetings are the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM at Art on Main at 309 West Main in Madison. Membership entitles you to a reduced entry fee and reduced commission fee for many of our special shows. Membership is not required to submit an inquiry for the waiting list, but is required to exhibit on the wall or the gift shop. Voting rights in the MAC are granted to active members, defined as those members in good standing (dues and rent current) and who have participated in club events at least once in the previous twelve months (attending meetings, special club events, serving on committees, etc...). Exhibiting artists are strongly encouraged to participate in the operation of AOM, by becoming part of the staff "sitting" the Gallery in its daily operation as a business and/or lending hand with Gallery upkeep. In the front west section of the gallery will be the **monthly** featured art shows or featured artists (selected randomly from the club's "active" members during membership meetings).

2. Complete a Gallery Agreement Form

This form will **not** be dated until you commit to exhibit. Once you commit to exhibit, the Gallery Agreement becomes effective and rent for gift shop and/or wall space rental will be due immediately. AOM currently has 58 or more artists who are renting 5' width x 8' height wall space and/or 800 sq. inches gift shop space. Free standing sculptures, pottery and other 3D art has the same approximate footprint as the wall space. Make certain to provide dimensional information with your photos/samples. The number of items allowed for exhibit in the Gift Shop is based on the number of items that will fit within 800 sq. inches. Items will be displayed on shelving units furnished by the artist or the gallery. If hanging on the wall in the Gift Shop, similar

wall space size is available. All items must be for sale. All gift shop items must be priced less than \$100. All artwork will be rotated quarterly in January, April, July, and November. The rotations coincide with the monthly membership meetings. The artists arrive around 5pm to change out art, then attend the meeting at 6:30pm. During these rotations all artists rental locations are moved six spaces to the right. If you are not present for this move, we assume your approval to move your artwork.

3. Submit samples of the work you intend to exhibit at Art On Main

Provide samples or photographs (digital or printed) of the items that will be displayed. The items must be your original creation and design. Reproductions of your originals are acceptable and must be identified as such. The contact person for inquiries is the Board Member and Inquiry Committee Chairperson. This person receives all communications and documents required about exhibiting at AOM, then submits information and samples of new artist's work to the Board of Directors for approval, and will keep in touch with the new artist throughout the process. The Board of Directors reviews inquiries at their monthly meetings, after which you will be notified of the status of your inquiry. Upon approval by the Board, the chairperson will place your name on the waiting list and will keep in contact with you. If you are placed on the waiting list, it is understood that you have sufficient items to exhibit and that you can commit to a six month contract within 2 weeks of being notified of a space being available. If, when you are contacted, and you are not able to commit, we will keep your inquiry on file and you can contact us in the future about being placed back on the waiting list. Gallery wall space rental and Gift Shop fees are paid in advance for each calendar quarter. If you come into the gallery mid-quarter your fees will be prorated. You will pay for the entire month of entry for the gift shop. It is the mission of the MAC to provide exhibit opportunities to its members, regardless of skill level or experience. However, it is important that we stay true to our identity as a fine art gallery, and that new work is a good fit for the Gallery.

At this time the Chairperson of the Inquiry Committee is:

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