



ROCKPORT ART FESTIVAL INFORMATION FOR ARTISTS

Please read this document in full before applying to the Rockport Art Festival.
Application is electronic through Zapplication.org

Since 1969, this annual outdoor Art Festival has made Rockport the best place to be on July 4th weekend in Coastal Texas. Located on Aransas Bay and showcasing high-quality artists, live music, a kids' activity tent and more, the Rockport Art Festival is the premiere festival for artists looking for an enthusiastic audience, with over 10,000 attendees in 2014.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 1, 2016 (Completion of Application, App/Jury Fee and Images.)

CATEGORIES: Painting, Sculpture, Ceramics, Jewelry, Glass, Wood, Photography, Mixed Media, Pastel/Drawing, Other

AWARDS: Best of Show Award (\$500) and Best of Category Awards (\$100) will be juried and announced on first day of the festival. All Award Winners receive automatic acceptance to the festival the following year, (no application fee or jury) but must still reserve and pay booth fees.

ARTISTS' WELCOME PARTY: Artists' BBQ takes place at the Art Center on evening of set-up, FREE to all exhibiting artists!

SUNDAY ARTISTS' BREAKFAST: A FREE artists' breakfast hosted by Rockport Center for the Arts in our big tent on Sunday morning.

ELIGIBILITY: The Rockport Art Festival is open to individual fine artists and mastercraftsmen presenting their own original work. No galleries, agents or anyone representing the artist will be eligible. The artist must be present to show his/her work.

STANDARDS: No manufactured items or kits. Prints must be limited edition, signed and numbered by the artist with the type of reproduction clearly labeled. 50% of booth must be signed, original work created by the artist. This applies to all categories. Artist will be asked to remove work that is in violation. Artists may not display work that is unlike the samples submitted for jurying.

MULTIPLE CATEGORIES: You may submit work in up to 2 categories, applying separately for each category with a separate jury fee and set of 3 images. YOU MAY ONLY EXHIBIT/SELL ARTWORK IN THE CATEGORY YOU ARE ACCEPTED. If you are observed exhibiting/selling artwork in a category you were not accepted in or that you did not apply for, you will not be invited back in subsequent years.

PRICING OF WORK: Artists set their own prices and may discretely offer discounts to encourage sales, but NO SIGNAGE OFFERING DISCOUNTS may be displayed.

NOTIFICATION: Notification of acceptance, decline or wait-list status will be **E-mailed** (to the email address artist submits with application) no later than April 8, 2015.

BOOTH PAYMENT DEADLINE (upon invitation): May 15, 2016.

CANCELLATION: Cancellations received by EMAIL on or before June 1, 2016 will receive a booth fee refund; but a \$50 processing fee will be retained. ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE AFTER JUNE 1, 2016. (Jury/Application Fee is Non-Refundable.)

WAITLIST POLICY: If you are placed on the wait list, the Art Festival will contact you if a space becomes available in your category. We do not disclose where you are on the wait list and are unable to predict when a cancellation may occur. **WAITLISTED ARTISTS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON FESTIVAL GROUNDS** during setup. **You will be instructed on when and how to enter festival grounds as an exhibitor only after the Art Festival has received a cancellation and made contact to offer you a booth space.** Any artist not respecting this policy will be asked to leave festival grounds and not be invited back under any circumstances. Your completed application constitutes your understanding and agreement with this policy. For more information about our jury process, see our [Frequently Asked Questions for Artists](#).

PETS: Pets are **NOT ALLOWED** on the art festival grounds at any time. (Health Dept. Guidelines)

SECURITY: Overnight security provided. Rockport Center for the Arts assumes no liability for exhibitor's property, including any damages caused by weather.

BOOTH FEES:

Single Booth \$300
+Extra Space \$50
+Electricity \$60

Shared Booth \$200 (per artist, max 2. Extra space is included with shared booth.)
+Electricity \$30 (per artist)

** Shared Booths must be arranged at the time of application ONLY. No shared booths are allowed after the jury process has completed and payment has been received for a single booth. Artists must be willing to assume total booth fee (at single booth fee rate) if desired booth partner is not juried into the festival. NO EXCEPTIONS.*

Artist/Applicant agrees to the following terms set by the Rockport Art Association, Inc. (dba Rockport Center for the Arts):

- 1) FESTIVAL CANCELLATION: If the Rockport Art Festival is canceled, postponed or partially impaired, no refunds will be issued, nor shall the Rockport Art Association, Inc. dba Rockport Center for the Arts, be held liable.
- 2) SALES TAXES: Each artist is responsible for the collection and remittance of necessary sales taxes per artists' vendor license. Rockport Center for the Arts takes no responsibility for the collection and remittance of sales tax.
- 3) PERSONAL PROPERTY LIABILITY: Rockport Art Association, Inc. dba Rockport Center for the Arts assumes no liability for exhibitor's property, including any damages caused by weather.
- 4) USE OF SUBMITTED IMAGES: Rockport Art Association, Inc. dba Rockport Center for the Arts may use images submitted by artist/applicant for the Rockport Art Festival in promotional materials, including but not limited to print advertising, website and online news media outlets, and television publicity. Rockport Art Festival may hire a publicist to promote exhibiting artists (whose images are used) in their hometown newspaper. Artist/Applicant agrees that this is fair compensation for use of submitted images.
- 5) ARTIST/APPLICANT AGREEMENT: Artist/Applicant agrees to abide by terms set forth in the event description, and to follow all instructions made by official Art Festival Staff. This application is a commitment to participate in the Festival if invited, that all exhibited work will adhere to all Eligibility and Standards requirements, all artwork on display will be for sale, and that artist/applicant will be present at all times during each day of the Rockport Art Festival.
- 6) ARTIST/APPLICANT RELEASE OF LIABILITY: By submitting this application, artist/applicant hereby releases Rockport Art Association, Inc., dba Rockport Center for the Arts from all claims, demands, damages, actions, debts, liabilities and causes of action of every nature which the undersigned might have against the above by reason of damage, loss, theft, or injury to person or property, or both, resulting from the entry by the artist/applicant on Rockport Art Festival grounds.

By applying online via ZAPApplication, you are indicating you have read, understood, and agreed to the paragraphs above.

You may begin your application at <https://www.zapplication.org>