

River Art Group New Member Application

Membership in the River Art Group involves a juried application process. Applications may be submitted at any time throughout the year by an online process or by mail. Submitted work must have been produced within the past year. **The applicant must submit three images (photos, tiff or jpeg) as examples of their artwork for consideration.** Applicants may request consideration for acceptance in up to three different media (each medium will require three separate images). The jury will score the body of work presented based upon appeal, marketability, technical skills, originality, composition/quality. If the applicant achieves a minimum score of 75% (of a possible 100%), the application advances and the applicant will be notified of the time and date to bring their original artwork (must be the same as the work in the images submitted) for final jury review. Applicants will be notified of their acceptance or non-acceptance within 5 days of the final jury.

PLEASE NOTE: **Member artists must live within 75 miles of River Art Gallery.** Before submitting the application for membership in the River Art Group, please understand that we are a working art group. We depend on the active and ongoing participation of our members to operate our organization and our gallery. The gallery is located downtown in La Villita Historic Arts Village and sells primarily to tourists. Acceptance into River Art Group means you will be required to work a regular monthly schedule in our Gallery. This means opening and closing the Gallery, greeting customers, answering their questions, processing sales, handling money or credit cards, and wrapping merchandise, as well as helping to keep the Gallery neat and clean. You will be a representative for River Art Group. Therefore, we are looking specifically for new members who will work cheerfully in a sales and business environment.

Please Print Legibly

First Name _____ Last Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____, Texas Zipcode _____
 Phone (cell) _____ (home) _____
 E-mail _____

Artistic Medium Your answer may have a bearing on your acceptance into membership. In certain mediums, River Art Group may have a full complement of artists, while in others, we have openings.

Artist Resume Please list any education, training, workshops, shows, awards, gallery representation, etc., that relate to your development as an artist. (Please add sheets to this form if necessary)

Business Resume Please list any business or sales related experience that you would bring to your work at RAG. This includes any sales and marketing work that you have done as an artist, or any other retail/sales experience you have acquired. Lack of sales experience will not count against you, but previous sales experience will be considered a "plus". (Please add sheets to this form if necessary)

Days Available for Work You will be required to work in our downtown gallery one day per month from 9:30 am to 6:30 pm. We usually have certain days in our Gallery staffing schedule needing to be filled and your workday will depend on scheduling for the Gallery. We cannot promise to schedule you for a certain day. You are responsible for paying your own parking fees while working at the Gallery. Please place a checkmark on the days you are available to work and we will do our best to accommodate you. NOTE: If weekends are the only time that you can work this may not be possible.

Sun ___ Mon ___ Tue ___ Wed ___ Thu ___ Fri ___ Sat ___

Fees: The River Art Group requires certain fees to be paid at time of Jury Registration. Please initial beside each fee. **Fees may be paid via PayPal on our website at www.riverartgroup.com** (click on Menu in upper right, then click on Become a Member) **or submitted by check with your application. Please DO NOT submit cash.**

1. ___ I will pay \$25 in non-refundable fees upon submission of application. (\$15 application fee and \$10 jury fee)
2. ___ I will pay a separate \$40 fee for this calendar year's dues **if I am selected as a member.**
Note: Annual Membership Fees are NOT prorated and must be paid prior to completion of Gallery training and display of artwork in the Gallery.

Please read and initial that you agree and will carry out the following statements:

1. I agree to read and follow all RAG Bylaws and Art Gallery Rules. _____
2. I will not hold the River Art Group, Inc. responsible for loss, theft, damage to any art/craft I display at the River Art Group Gallery and/or at any Group-sponsored event. _____
3. River Art Group, Inc. is not responsible for injury to any of its members. _____
4. Upon initial acceptance, applicants will be placed in a provisional status for a two-year period. _____
5. I fully understand and agree to the provisional status requirements: _____
 - a. Attend an orientation prior to exhibiting in the gallery. _____
 - b. Exhibit a minimum of 6 different original works each year. _____
 - c. Work a minimum of 100 hours each year as a host/hostess and/or in a capacity approved by the Board or as required by the Board. _____
 - d. Learn all the positions in the Gallery, including handling money, opening and closing the register and maintaining the Gallery. _____
 - e. Follow the Gallery Exhibit Criteria as described in the Art Gallery Rules when hanging my art work. _____
 - f. Maintain the quality of work for which accepted. _____
 - g. Refrain from using cell phone/tablet, etc. when customers are present in the Gallery. _____

- h. I authorize photos to be taken of my art work which will be used as a basis of comparison during my provisional status. _____
- i. I will be evaluated at the end of 12 months. Upon receipt of a satisfactory rating, I will be allowed to continue for an additional 12 months and, at the completion of 24 months of satisfactory service, I will be notified of acceptance as an active member. _____

Date: _____ Name (Print) _____

Signature _____

Please mail completed application to:

**River Art Group, Inc.
Attn: Membership
418 Villita St., Ste. 1400
San Antonio, TX 78205**

Email completed application to:

BrownVictoriaS@aol.com

Contact Vicki Brown, Membership Director (phone # 210-262-4020 or email BrownVictoriaS@aol.com with questions.