

GALLERY APPLICATION PACKET

WATER STREET STUDIOS

Batavia Artists Association at Water Street Studios is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization devoted to expanding art in Batavia and the surrounding communities. By converting an historic limestone building in downtown Batavia we have created an amazing 16,000 sq ft arts center featuring 26 artist studios, three classrooms and a premier gallery for showcasing fine art.

GALLERY SUMMARY

Water Street Studios is soliciting artwork from artists as part of its art awareness program. Artists must be willing to loan works of art for display for the period of the exhibition. All forms of art are acceptable: (i.e. paintings, sculptures, drawings, mosaics, photographs). Exhibitions may run up to four months. We are seeking artwork for both the first and second floor gallery. Applicants may submit up to four pieces. The gallery is looking for work that has not been on display in its prior shows. There is a nonrefundable submission application fee of \$20. Water Street Studios Artist Members receive a one time \$10 discount per year on their application.

~Water Street Studios *Resident Artist* commission structure is as followed: 70% to the Artist / 30% to the Water Street Gallery.

~*Non Renting Artist* commission structure is as followed: 60% to the Artist / 40% to the Water Street Gallery.

Guest Juror:

The Water Street Studios Gallery Committee reviews artwork proposals submitted by artists interested in having their works displayed for the community as part of its art initiative. This show will also include Lee Sido as guest juror for the selection process. (www.niu.edu/art/faculty/sido2/index.html) Lee Sido is the Fine Art Studio Division Head, Associate Sculpture Professor at Northern Illinois University, and holds a M.F.A. from there as well. The guest juror will select artists to be represented as WSS Honorable Mentions, one of which will be awarded Best of Show.

Audio Tour:

Honorable Mention Artists and WSS Resident Artists have the option to be part of the gallery's Audio Tour to speak about their work, process, or record something significant to them for our visitors to listen to on MP3 players as they tour the gallery. An example of current Audio Tour can be found here: (www.waterstreetstudios.com/gallery/2010-winter-show/gallery-audio-tour).

The artwork submission deadline is March 15th, 2010

Drop off Date: April 10th

Exhibition period will begin April 23rd – August 14th

Art Work Pick Up: August 15

HOW TO APPLY

Artists may submit up to 4 pieces for consideration. Artists interested in submitting artwork for display consideration must submit a completed Gallery Application Packet. Gallery Application Packet includes the following:

1. A completed Gallery Application Form (see page 3). Please provide a title, price for the artwork and description of medium used. This information will be used for labeling.
2. Images of your proposed artwork. Please label images with their respective names. Applications without images of work will **NOT** be considered. Three dimensional artworks such as sculpture must include images showing at least 3 viewpoints of the artwork. Digital images must be provided on a CD. All images should be Jpeg files and labeled with the name that the piece it represents.
3. \$20 Nonrefundable Application Fee. Artist Members receive a one time \$10 discount per year on their application. (Paying by check – please make out to Batavia Artists Association nfp, Inc. and mail to 160 S. Water Street, Batavia, IL).
4. Artists may also submit their résumé, artist statement, or additional narrative on a separate sheet of paper that describes the artwork submitted. (*Optional, but recommended*).

SELECTION ELIGIBILITY & CRITERIA

ELIGIBILITY

The Water Street Studios art awareness program is open to all visual artists who meet the following criteria:

- ❖ Artists working in any media.
- ❖ Art students studying at the college level

Criteria to be used in the selection of artwork by the Water Street Studio Gallery Committee shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- ❖ **Media**: All forms of media may be considered.
- ❖ **Artistic Quality**: Works of art must be unique and shall include excellence in craftsmanship, originality in conception, and integrity of materials.
- ❖ **Subject Matter**: While Water Street Studios looks forward to displaying a variety of media and subject matter, the artwork must be appropriate for a public setting and for viewing by all age groups. Artwork that would be considered offensive or disturbing to the general public i.e. work depicting sex or violence may not be selected for display.
- ❖ **Delivery**: All selected artwork must be delivered to the gallery “ready-to-hang” for immediate display. Any pieces that arrive needing framing or additional assembly will not be considered for display and will be returned to the artist. Matching framed paintings are preferred, but not require.
- ❖ **Permanence**: All artwork, whether permanent or temporary shall exhibit structural and surface soundness, and be resistant to theft, vandalism, unintentional weathering, and excessive maintenance or repair costs.
- ❖ **Public Safety**: All works of art shall be evaluated to ensure their compliance with public safety requirements.
- ❖ **Context**: Consideration shall be given to the architectural, historical, geographical, and social/cultural context of the site where the artwork is to be displayed. Works of art must be compatible in scale, materials, form and content with their surrounding.

Mail APPLICATIONS TO:

Steven Lockwood, *Gallery Director*
160 S. Water St. Batavia, IL 60510
Questions: sparktosparks@yahoo.com

WATER STREET STUDIOS: GALLERY APPLICATION

Name: _____
 Address: _____ City & Zip: _____
 Phone number: _____ Email: _____
 Web site: _____

➤WSS Renting Artist (*Commission 70/30*): ➤WSS Artists Member: ➤Non Renting Artist (*Commission 60/40*):

Please check the box from the list below that *best describes* the work you are submitting for consideration.

<input type="checkbox"/> Clay	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing / Illustration	<input type="checkbox"/> Fiber	<input type="checkbox"/> Glass
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Cut	<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed-Media	<input type="checkbox"/> Mosaic	<input type="checkbox"/> Painting / Water Color
<input type="checkbox"/> Photography	<input type="checkbox"/> Print Making	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	<input type="checkbox"/> Jewelry *

**If your works are smaller pieces in larger quantities, i.e. jewelry and other hand made functional arts, please attach your own Artwork Description with item name and pricing, since we only allow for four pieces on the application. We need a detailed inventory from you so we can catalog it into our system accordingly.*

**Please mail your \$20 nonrefundable Application Fee to address below. Artist Members receive a one time \$10 discount per year.
 (If paying by check, please make out to Batavia Artists Association nfp, Inc.)
Labeled Images must be provided on a CD and must be of the work you are submitting.**

Title: _____	Title: _____	Title: _____	Title: _____
Price: _____	Price: _____	Price: _____	Price: _____
Medium: _____	Medium: _____	Medium: _____	Medium: _____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Please describe the dimensions of your artwork in terms of Height by Width by Length.

Dimension: _____ | Dimension: _____ | Dimension: _____ | Dimension: _____

3D Artists, please describe the approximate weight of your artwork (in pounds)

Weight: _____ | Weight: _____ | Weight: _____ | Weight: _____

3D Artists, what is the most appropriate display option? (Circle one)

Indoor Outdoor Either | Indoor Outdoor Either | Indoor Outdoor Either | Indoor Outdoor Either

Does the display of your artwork require any special anchoring, platform, lighting or protection?

Artist's Acknowledgement:

I am the owner of all rights to the above described work of art. In consideration of the Water Street Studio's willingness to permit my work to be displayed as part of its art program, I will agree to sign this display agreement and liability waiver if my artwork is chosen for display. I further understand that my artwork cannot be taken from or sold outside of the display premises during public exhibitions and a description and/or photograph of my artwork may be shown or published in Water Street Studio's newsletter along with other art program promotional items such as press releases or websites. I will be responsible for installing and removing my artwork on the dates specified in the display agreement as well as maintaining the artwork during the display period. I also understand that it is my decision whether or not to insure my artwork. I also acknowledge that I must be an artist in good standing within the parameters of the BAA Code of Conduct and Behavioral Guidelines, and that Water Street Studios, at its sole discretion, has the right to reject any artwork submitted.

Artist Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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WATER STREET GALLERY

Insurance Waiver

I _____, understand and agree that Water Street Studios agrees to exercise ordinary care for works exhibited at the Water Street Gallery. The undersigned agrees to indemnify and hold harmless said Association from any and all claims arising out of the use of the Water Street Gallery. I hereby release and forever discharge Water Street Gallery, directors, employees and volunteers from any responsibility, personal liability, claims, loss or damage what so ever arising out of the use of Water Street Gallery.

I acknowledge that a representative from the Water Street Studios has informed me that the Gallery is responsible to exercise reasonable care of pieces in the Water Street Gallery. For this reason it was recommended that I carry insurance for my art work involved in the exhibition. My signature below indicates that I acknowledge said recommendation and have chosen to waive that option. I also acknowledge abiding by the Rules and Regulations as well as the Code of Conduct associated with Water Street Studios. Failure to abide by said policies set forth by Water Street Studios may result in the removal of my pieces, or me, from the gallery.

Signature _____ Date _____

Printed name _____

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Fine Art Liability Waiver

I understand that reasonable care precaution will be taken in the handling and exhibition of art works submitted by me to the Water Street Gallery, and I do hereby hold harmless, and indemnity the Water Street Gallery, its directors, employees and volunteers, from any claim or damage that might arise from loss or damage to the works of art submitted by me for the exhibition from any cause whatsoever.

Signature _____ Date _____

Printed name _____

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