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2012 APPLICATION PROCESS & PACKET

INTRODUCTION

The Orange County Artists Guild is a non-profit organization of artists supporting each other in their professional development, as well as fostering public knowledge and appreciation of the work of Orange County artists. The Guild is composed of professional artists and artisans with considerable experience in their fields. The Guild does not restrict artist members as to art or craft media, content or style of work. All Members are expected to contribute to the health of the organization through voluntary committee work.

The Guild produces one major annual event. The **Annual Open Studio Tour**, during the first two weekends in November, allows members to show and sell to the public in their own studios or in each other's studios.

The Guild maintains a website for the public to view examples of members' work in the Gallery section and to learn about Guild events. For members, the web site provides information such as announcements, learning opportunities, and links to resources. The Guild also presents a blog online for contributions by members and guests, and manages a listserv for members as a means of communication.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

An **Exhibiting Member** is an artist who maintains a studio or lives in Orange County *and* has been juried into the Guild. The jury process takes place once a year in order to select new Exhibiting Members. The jury's decision is final. Neither the jury nor the Board of Directors of the Guild will provide explanations of jury findings or individual critiques for applying artists.

The annual membership dues are \$100 per calendar year, January 1–December 31. Exhibiting Members may participate in any Guild show with payment of the appropriate event fee. All Exhibiting Members are expected to contribute to committee work.

The fee for the **Studio Tour** is \$250. The **Studio Tour** is open only to Exhibiting

Members. Exhibiting Members are entitled to a page in the Gallery on the Guild Web site and may include a link to their personal website. **Studio Tour** participants **must** maintain a page in the Gallery.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Applicants for Exhibiting Member status have one opportunity each year to submit materials for the OCAG Jury. For consideration by the OCAG Jury, you must submit the following:

____ New member application form

____ Five to six digital images submitted to the Jury Committee **EITHER** via email to Judith Ernst at judernst@gmail.com **OR** on a cd submitted via mail with your other application materials. *See the Jury Process and Prep of Images doc for this important information.*

____ Two copies of a one or two page résumé which outlines “arts relevant” info: exhibitions, teaching, workshops attended, continuing professional development—all demonstrating your seriousness of purpose as an artist. It is not expected that you do your art full-time. Most of our members have other “day jobs.”

____ Two copies of a short, less than one page “artist’s statement,” wherein you write about your artistic/creative philosophy, processes, and your intentions with your work. Talk about your work, describing to the jury what you do, how you do it, and what is your hope for its outcome.

____ One check payable to OCAG for the \$25 nonrefundable application fee

____ One check payable to OCAG for the \$100 membership fee. [Tour fee will be collected on June 1st if your application is successful and you wish to participate.] Membership fee will be returned if you are not juried into the Guild.

____ If you choose to mail a CD with images for jurying purposes (rather than email to the jury committee), please include a self-addressed stamped envelope intended for the return of your CD

Incomplete or illegible applications will not be considered. Applications must be received by January 31, 2011 Notification will be sent by mid-February.

For information about the Jury Process please see the Jury Process and Prep of Images pdf.

INFORMATION SESSION

A member of the Orange County Artists Guild will conduct an information session and application workshop, free and open to the public, for applicants who desire more information about the application process prior to submitting their materials. An OCAG member experienced with the application and jury process will present examples of successful résumés, artist statements, and slide portfolios.

If you are interested in attending please contact Claudia Prose by email at: claudia.prose@gmail.com , or by telephone at: 919-302-6715 to secure your place for attendance. The meeting will be scheduled to take place on a Saturday, January 7, 2012. Location will be announced. You will be asked to attend the New Members’

Orientation meeting that will be held in the month of March, 2012.

2012 NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

Last Name _____

First Name _____

Mailing
address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Email: _____

Phone(s) _____

Website _____

Studio name _____

Studio address (if different)

Studio phone (if
different) _____

_____ **Membership application fee \$25**

_____ **Membership annual fee \$100**

Make checks payable to OCAG.

Application deadline January 31, 2012. **This is a “received by” deadline.**

Send completed application(s) and other materials to:

OCAG
Application Committee
PO Box 216
Carrboro NC 27510

Please complete all forms requested. Questions? Contact Ellen Hill, Artists Liaison, (919) 942-7578 or email her at: Ellen@EllenHillPottery.com

OCAG use only :

Date received _____ By _____ Check# _____ Amount _____