



Downtown Artists Co-op
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The Downtown Artists Co-op is a group of artists and interested citizens of the Clarksville-Montgomery County area who are dedicated to creating a greater community awareness of the arts and art-related events in the area. Some of the activities in which the Co-op is involved are:

- 1 Outreach initiatives to regional schools
- 2 Scholarship support
- 3 Gallery exhibits by members and other art-supporting groups
- 4 "Holiday Arts and Crafts Bazaar"
- 5 Adult and children's art classes

Membership in the Co-op is open to artists and crafters who meet the standards of original artwork set by the DAC, are residents of Tennessee or Kentucky, qualify through the jurying process, subscribe to the objectives and purposes of the Co-op, and agree to abide by the policies, rules and guidelines of the Co-op. Dues may be paid quarterly in January, April, July, and October, or monthly *if by automatic bank draft*. Members must inform the treasurer whether paying quarterly or monthly.

Standards of DAC: To qualify for membership, an artist/crafter must demonstrate a professional commitment to the visual arts through continued production and exhibition of his/her visual art/craft and a dedication to the creative community of Clarksville through participation in local art events.

- Full member:**
1. Qualifies through the jurying process set up by the DAC
 2. Is expected to commit to a regular, monthly shift for holding open the Gallery and contribute time and expertise to one of the several divisions to help in running the organization.
 3. Dues are \$25 a month or \$75 a quarter
 4. Benefits:
 - a) A solo, or 2-4 person exhibit, in the DAC Gallery
 - b) Display space in the retail area with 25% commission on sales
 - c) May be featured artist in the gallery window retail side
 - d) Representation in all group shows sponsored by DAC
 - e) Voting rights
 - f) Possible discount in the retail store to be determined by the DAC membership

- Artisan Member**
1. This category is open to artisans working in, but not limited to,
 - a) Jewelry
 - b) Wood
 - c) Glass
 - d) Textiles
 - e) Pottery
 - f) Gourds

Membership Levels, Artisan Member cont'd

2. Qualifying process and expectations are the same as for full members. Attendance at Frist Thursday reception is encouraged.
3. Single Artisan Membership Dues are \$100 a year (\$25 a Quarter); couple Artisan Membership Dues his/her artisan work, the Artisan Member must apply for Full Membership. Dues are \$140 a year (\$35 a quarter).
4. An Artisan Member may hang fine art pieces in the gallery as well as display his/her artisan work, the Artisan Member must apply for Full Membership.
5. Benefits:
 - a) Will be put in the rotation for exhibits as well as for display in the retail window
 - b) Has full voting rights on all matters (excluding ones pertaining to membership levels)
 - c) May exhibit in all DAC member shows
 - d) May display pieces in the retail gallery at 25% commission

Associate Artist:

1. Qualifying process and expectations are the same as for full members
2. Dues are \$15 a month or \$45 a quarter
3. Associate Artist membership is limited to two years after which time member is automatically eligible for full membership
4. Benefits:
 - a) Two works of art at a time may be displayed in the retail/balcony section of the gallery with 25% commission on works sold
 - c) May be featured artist in the gallery window retail side
 - d) Participation in annual bazaar and other exhibits as designated by the DAC
 - e) Voting rights (excluding ones pertaining to membership levels)



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
LEVEL OF MEMBERSHIP SOUGHT: _____ FULL _____ ASSOCIATE _____ ARTISAN

Please type or print clearly and fill out completely.

Name: _____

Street Address or P.O. Box: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Email Address: _____

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Work Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

List and prioritize media in which you work and wish to exhibit:

Price range of your work: _____

Current or recent affiliations with galleries, museums, shows, arts organizations, publications, etc:

Do you have commitments or limitations that would restrict your participation in the Co-op? If so, please explain.
(NOTE: Such factors would not, in themselves, disqualify you from membership.)

This application for membership should be accompanied by the following:

1. A list of work submitted for jurying.
2. A brief description of your background including art experience and/or training.
3. A description of your current work; include goals, influences, inspirations.
4. Five – seven gallery-ready samples of your work (representing each medium you wish to exhibit).
 - a. Submitted work must be original in execution, design, and concept.
 - b. Submit only work you are currently producing and intend to show in the gallery.
 - c. Framing and professional presentation will be considered in the jurying process.

The Jurying Committee will review artwork after its submission, and applicants will receive notification from DAC within two weeks after review.

NOTE: Every precaution will be taken to ensure the safety of your artwork, but the Downtown Artists Co-op cannot be responsible for loss or damage for artist work. Artists are responsible for insuring their work, if they wish to do so. Your signature below confirms your understanding and acceptance of these terms:

- 1 Abiding by the by-laws of the Downtown Artists Co-op
- 2 Committing to a one-year membership
- 3 Assuming responsibility for possible loss or damage to your artwork.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

List work submitted for jurying:

Title	Medium	Size
1. _____		
2. _____		
3. _____		
4. _____		
5. _____		
6. _____		

Description of Background:

Description of Current Work:

Contact Leah Foote @ 931-648-4271 or email – leahfoote7@gmail.com and let her know you are bringing your art for the jury. She will notify voting members to view your art for your membership acceptance.

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