

## **Village Artisans**

### **Membership Application Policy**

Village Artisans is a cooperative gallery run solely by the artists who display their work in the gallery. Each artist must apply for membership and be approved by the current members. We encourage all artists to apply with the understanding that application does not automatically mean acceptance. Acceptance is based on many things, including:

- Type and quality of work; the work must be a good “fit” for our needs at a particular time.
- Personality; the artist must be a good “fit” for our group, which must work closely together.
- Ability to contribute; the artist must be able to fulfill our required commitments.

Requirements include:

- Annual dues of \$400, payable upon acceptance into the co-op
- 10% of all sales donated to the “shop”
- \$5 deducted each month from sales, for shop advertising
- “Shop-sitting” (staffing the shop) approximately two days per month
- Attendance of monthly meetings (first Monday evening of the month)
- Help with our big fundraiser, “Art on the Lawn,” which is held the second Saturday of August
- Help with other tasks as needed to run the shop and maintain the cooperative

Benefits include:

- Displaying your work in an established gallery
- Setting your own prices
- Keeping 90% of your sales
- Being part of a “team” of varied artists
- A free booth at “Art on the Lawn,” the second Saturday of August
- The opportunity to have a month-long solo show in the gallery lobby
- A free booth shared with other members at the June and October Yellow Springs Street Fairs

How the process works:

- Fill out an application form and bring it in to Village Artisans along with photographs representing the work you would like to display.
- At our monthly meeting (the first Monday evening of the month), we will review your application.
- We will let you know via phone call or letter whether or not we currently have a need for your type of work at this particular time:
  - > If we feel your work does not meet our current needs, we will keep your application on file for future consideration.
  - > If we feel your work will meet our current needs, you will be invited to present yourself and your work at our next monthly meeting.

*Please note:*

*Non-acceptance simply means that your work is not an appropriate fit for us at this particular time. Please do not take non-acceptance as a “rejection” of your work! We must base our decisions on many factors, taking into consideration our current needs. Thanks for your understanding!*

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## GALLERY

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Village Artisans, LTD., is an artist cooperative located in Yellow Springs, Ohio. The store was established in 1983 and provides Yellow Springs and the surrounding communities with high quality handmade artwork representing diverse mediums and styles. Each voting member is required to participate in duties associated with operating the gallery store.

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

<u>First Name</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>DOB MM/DD/YYYY</u>
<u>Street Address</u>		<u>E-mail Address</u>
<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Zip Code+four</u>
<u>Work Availability:</u>		
<u>Phone Number</u>	<u>Cell #</u>	<u>E-mail</u>
<p><b>Give a general description of your art. Include specifics if you specialize within an area. Give pricing info. Including highs and lows. Submission of photos of work is required with application.</b></p>		
<p>How did you hear about the Village Artisans? / Contact person?</p>		