



113 W. Marion Avenue
Punta Gorda, Florida 33950
941-575-1718 www.seagrapegallery.com

ARTIST MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ CELL _____

EMAIL _____

12 Month Resident? YES NO Other? _____

How long have you lived here? _____

How did you hear/know about Sea Grape Gallery? _____

What medium do you work in? _____

Describe your style, etc. _____

Size range: _____

Price range: _____

How long have you been creating art? _____

Where did you receive your training? _____

Where have you exhibited? (Use back of application if necessary.) _____

Awards: _____

Are you in any other galleries? YES NO Names/Locations of galleries: _____

What other organizations do you belong to? _____

Are you willing to demonstrate your art? YES NO

In addition to the wonderful opportunity to display work in a gallery, this is a co-op where additional skills are valuable. Please circle/list other skills you excel in:

Business Operations: Accounting/Bookkeeping/Finances Secretarial

Advertising: Graphic Design Publicity/PR Fundraising Writing Public Speaking

Internet/Computer: Database Mailing List/E-Mail List Website Management

Computer Programs: MS Word Excel Spreadsheets Photoshop

Other: _____

We are also interested in YOU! Please tell us about yourself. You may use the back of the application for additional space. Please attach 2-3 photographs of your work.

SEA GRAPE ARTIST GALLERY **INTRODUCTION**

History

Sea Grape Gallery is a fine arts gallery that has existed as an artist cooperative since 1988 when 21 local artists formed the Gallery to offer a showcase for fine art in Charlotte County. The Gallery's first location was the Punta Gorda Mall. A year later it moved across the street to 117 W. Marion and eventually across the courtyard to its present location at 113 W. Marion Avenue. All current Sea Grape artists are proud to be part of the Gallery's long tradition and history.

Non-Profit Activities

Sea Grape is a 501©(3) not-for-profit corporation providing area artists with a professional setting to display their artwork. In addition to giving local artists a place to display and sell their work, Sea Grape provides many services to the community such as awarding scholarships to graduating high school art students, participating in many charitable fund raising events, attending and displaying at community sponsored art venues, coordinating such activities as artists' demonstrations, customer receptions, courtyard sales, and participating in local downtown events, such as Third Thursday Wine Walk and holiday celebrations.

Artist Benefits

Being a member of Sea Grape Gallery has been a wonderful experience for so many artists over the years. By participating in running the gallery and business, each artist has input and control into how their work is displayed, promoted and sold – all this at a lower cost than a privately owned consignment gallery. The art related retail experience is invaluable, and the camaraderie of working closely with fellow artists toward a goal of building a successful business is rewarding, inspiring, and fun.

Artwork is very important to us. By sharing the time, work, and expenses required in running a business with other artists, Sea Grape members have time to also create. There has not been a Sea Grape artist that has not become a better artist from their time spent at Sea Grape. Everyone learns from one another resulting in extra incentive to create.

Due to the hard work of many artists over the years, Sea Grape Gallery has enjoyed continued growth and success. With the current growth in our community, the best is yet to come to Sea Grape and its artists.

Membership Terms

Sea Grape artists are expected to:

- Work as sales staff in the Gallery an average of 3 days per month
- Commit to \$80.00 per month rent for a minimum of one year
- Pay \$200 initial start-up fee
- Pay first and last month rent at time of joining Gallery
- Share a 20% commission of all sales with the Gallery
- Be active on at least one Gallery committee or sub-committee
- Abide by all Gallery Rules and Regulations
- Display art in a professional manner based on the Gallery's Professional Standards requirements
- Attend special events hosted by the Gallery in which membership is expected (not less than 75% of the events)
- Attend monthly meetings (not less than 75% of the meetings)
Decisions are made here that affect everyone, and everyone's opinion is important.
- Attend the January Annual Meeting for election of Officers – notification by mail is made prior to the meeting.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN SEA GRAPE GALLERY

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