

113 W. Marion Avenue

Punta Gorda, FL. 33950

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seagrapegallery.com

# **ARTIST MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

NAME		DATE	
ADDRESS			
		STATEZIP	
PHONE		MOBILE	
EMAIL			
		IF NO, Months in Residence	
How did you hear about Sea	a Grape G	Gallery?	
What medium do you work	in?		
Describe your style			

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 If yes, 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				
Computer: Database management Spreadsheets Website Design/management				
Proficient in: MS Word Excel Photoshop Quickbooks Square				
Other:				

We are also interested in YOU! Please tell us about yourself. You may use the back of the application for additional space.

Please provide 2-3 photographs of your work

# Artist Terms

Sea Grape artists are expected to:

- Work as sales staff in the gallery an average of 2-3 days per month
- Commit to \$80.00 per month rent for a minimum of one year
- Pay \$200.00 initial start-up fee
- Pay first and last month rent at the time of joining the gallery
- The gallery receives 20% commission on all sales and commissions
- Be active on gallery committees
- Abide by all gallery bylaws and policies
- Display art in a professional manner based on the gallery's Professional Standards requirements
- Attend 75% of special events (Wine Walk, special sales, receptions/events, etc.)
- Attend member meetings
- Attend the mandatory January Annual Meeting for election of Officers notification by mail/email is made prior to the meeting

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN SEA GRAPE GALLERY!

## 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 in 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 501C3 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 fundraising events, coordinating such activities as artists' demonstrations and customer receptions, and participating in local downtown events, i.e. Wine Walk and Holly Days.

### **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 into how their work is displayed, promoted and sold – all 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 each other 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.

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