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## Applicant Information

Art IN Hand is an artists' cooperative, established in 2000 by a group of professional artists. Our goals were to provide opportunity to:

- Offer our work to the public in a setting which we own and control.
- Honor art and artists.
- Provide a wide range of contemporary art to the public.
- Benefit from the synergy of working with other artists in a variety of media.
- Give each of us impetus to produce new work.

Our gallery is a cooperative, and each of us is a partner committed to achieving the above goals. Partnership also carries obligations to the co-op for hours of work, attention and thought for which there is no direct remuneration. Only those who find this a rewarding prospect and who are willing and able to make this type of commitment should consider applying.

### Requirements for Artwork

- All artwork must be original in conception and execution.
- All artwork must meet a high standard of quality.
- Certain categories of art/craft are not acceptable. These include, but are not limited to:
  - artificial/dried flower arrangements, decorations, magnets, wreaths, etc.
  - mass-produced objects, which have been embellished, such as painted boxes, wooden cutouts, saw-blades, etc.
  - decal crafts.
  - items from commercial kits, patterns, or molds.
- When mass-produced materials are used (necklace chains, electrical hardware, scarf blanks, etc.) these components must be subordinate to the art and execution of the finished piece.
- Any medium or category will be considered on a case by case basis.
- Art IN Hand will make all interpretations of what constitutes "commercial".
- All prints must be hand-pulled and signed.
- Commercial reproductions will be accepted...giclee, letterpress, gravure, etc...on a very limited basis.
- You may apply in more than one medium, however separate applications must be submitted for each medium.

## Requirements for Partners

- If you are selected for partnership, we ask that you make a one year commitment to the cooperative.
- At the time of joining, you will pay a one-time initiation fee of \$125.
- Monthly dues are currently \$85, due by the 15th of the preceding month.
- Dues and fees are nonrefundable.
- Partners staff the gallery 3 days per calendar rotation. Rotations are based on number of partners.
- Additionally, partners serve on various committees where their skills and talents will best be used and contribute to the gallery.
- Gallery business meetings are held on the 1st Wed. at 5:30 p.m., every other month. Partners are required to attend at least 75% of meetings annually.

## Application Process

Art IN Hand accepts applications at the gallery 6 times per year. You should email a completed application form and images of up to 5 pieces of your most recent work (no older than 3 years) for review and consideration by our membership. Emails should be sent to the gallery at [info@artinhandgallery.com](mailto:info@artinhandgallery.com)

- We review and consider new members at our bi-monthly gallery meetings. Our meetings are held on the 1st Wednesdays of January, March, May, July, September, and November of each year.
- You should email your application and images of your work to the gallery at any time; upon reviewing your application and images, you may be requested to submit 3 to 4 examples of your work 4 to 5 days prior to a meeting.
- We will let you know the status of your application shortly after the meeting.

Art IN Hand strives to maintain a balance of media and styles. Therefore, even though your application may be approved...we may not be able to offer immediate membership. In that case we will maintain your application and when an opening occurs, you will be invited to join us.

**PLEASE NOTE:** the gallery **does not** carry insurance on artwork, whether that of partners or applicants. If you want your work insured while it is with us, you will need to make arrangements with your insurance agent.

*If you have any questions regarding our gallery or our application process, please feel free to contact the gallery at [info@artinhandgallery.com](mailto:info@artinhandgallery.com)*



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***For AIH Committee Use Only:***

Approved ☐ Declined ☐

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Application for Membership

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Artist Website \_\_\_\_\_

Artist Social Media \_\_\_\_\_

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Medium \_\_\_\_\_

Size Range \_\_\_\_\_ Price Range \_\_\_\_\_

Please explain why you are interested in joining a cooperative gallery.

Please give a brief description of your career as an artist, as well as your exhibit experience in the past 2 years. You may also include a resume.

Please describe your non-art skills and strengths which you would contribute to the gallery (e.g., graphic design, marketing, advertising, accounting, web design, retail experience, etc.).

What days of the week are you available to work in the gallery?