

FESTIVAL INFORMATION AND HOW TO APPLY

FESTIVAL MISSION STATEMENT

Threefoot Art Festival strives to showcase work of exceptional quality and creativity by artists in a variety of mediums. It is our goal to nurture artistic expression by providing an opportunity for artists to share and sell their work; to educate the public about the creative efforts of artists; and to add to the cultural climate and quality of life in the community, state and region.

FESTIVAL DATE

October 14, 2006. Show time is 9am-6pm.

FESTIVAL LOCATION

Meridian's historic downtown

AWARDS

Best of Show: one award of \$1000; Award of Distinction: 2 awards of \$500; Merit Awards: up to 10 awards of \$250; Purchase Awards: over \$5000.

ARTIST SELECTION

Exhibitors are selected on the basis of Meridian Council for the Arts' standards of quality, originality, and creativity as interpreted by a jury of visual arts professionals. A limited number of artists per category will be accepted to provide a balanced show. A waiting list will be maintained in each medium.

The total number of booths available is 75; each measuring 10'x 10'.

HOW TO APPLY

Each applicant must submit 3 slides or photographs; a stamped, self-addressed legal-size envelope; a completed application with slide/ photograph description; a \$10 check for the non-refundable application fee; and a \$85 check for the booth fee (returned if work is not accepted). Separate checks are required. Late fee of \$25 after August 15th.

By submitting this application, the applicant consents to and authorizes the use of any and/or all images of works in promotional endeavors by the Meridian Council for the Arts including but not limited to brochure, print, television advertisements, and Internet display.

EXHIBITOR OBLIGATIONS

Exhibitors must be directly involved in the design and production of the work they exhibit at the Threefoot Art Festival. Exhibitors must display their own work, not that made by others. Excluded from exhibition are commercially manufactured items, items made exclusively from commercial molds, and mass-produced items.

Exhibitors must attend their work in person for the duration of the show. Exhibitor's employees may not substitute for the exhibitor. Booth displays must remain intact until the show ends.

Only work representative of that submitted for jury may be exhibited. Displays will be reviewed throughout the festival. MCA reserves the right to request removal of any work that differs from the slides/photos submitted and accepted as well as any inappropriate work or display. Failure to remove such work or abide by other rules set forth will result in applicant's removal from the festival and applicant being prohibited from future application.

Each exhibitor is responsible for collecting Mississippi state sales taxes as required by law. A sales tax envelope will be included in your registration packet. You are to leave it at the MCA Information Booth at the end of the Festival.

MCA retains the right to prevent an artist from exhibiting for conduct deemed, in MCA's sole discretion, unacceptable and/or detrimental to the mission and reputation of MCA.

MULTIPLE ENTRIES

Artists wishing to enter more than one medium must submit separate applications, fees and slides/photographs in each category. If only one application is accepted, only work in that medium may be exhibited.



BOOTH SHARING/COLLABORATIVE WORK

Artists working together may apply as one if they collaborate on every piece of work. In this case, only one booth fee will be charged. Other artists must pay full fee even if they choose to share a booth with another artist. Exhibitors must supply their own booth structures.

ENTRY DEADLINE & ACCEPTANCE NOTIFICATION

Entries must be postmarked by August 15, 2006. Selection notification will be postmarked no later than September 15, 2006.

Last, First Name _____

Social Security Number or Resale Number _____
(Required for Acceptance)

Business/Studio Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Business Phone _____ Home Phone _____

Email _____ Website _____

Please jury my work in the following area: (check only one)

____ clay ____ metal ____ photography ____ fiber ____ mixed media
____ sculpture ____ glass ____ wood ____ two-dimensional
____ jewelry

Is your work available for Purchase Awards? ____ yes ____ no

Your local newspaper name, fax# or email for publicity:

Newspaper _____ Fax# or email _____

GENERAL RELEASE: The undersigned does hereby and forever discharge Meridian Council for the Arts, City of Meridian, all sponsoring organizations, officers, employees, agents and volunteers of and from all manner of actions, suits, damages, claims and demands whatsoever in law or equity from any loss or damage arising out of or in conjunction with application to or participation in the Threefoot Art Festival, which is not responsible for any injury sustained by exhibitors or guests while within space designated for exhibits. The undersigned has read and complies with all rules printed in this prospectus.

Applicant's Signature Required

Meridian Council For The Arts Mission Statement: The Mission of the Meridian Council for the Arts, Inc. is to foster and promote diverse art and cultural organizations, events, education and individual artists in Meridian/Lauderdale County, Mississippi through leadership, partnership, collaboration, grants and service.

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