



ART SHOWS

January 2010

Dear Artist,

The Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce will again sponsor its two annual art shows for painting and photography on the Village Green. The 2010 show dates are June 26-27 and September 25-26. The June show will close our 12th Annual Legacy of the Arts Festival week this year.

Due to the popularity of the shows, both the Art Shows will now be juried. There will be 2 juries held as noted below in the timeline. Jurying and decisions will be made early enough for artists to arrange travel plans in a timely manner. The jury date for the June Show will serve as an “early bird” jury date for the September Show.

The Jury/application fee is a non-refundable fee of \$25.00 and must be submitted with your application in order to be juried. The fee to participate in one show is \$140.00. If you wish to participate in both shows, the fee is \$270.00. Your booth location will be assigned upon receipt of the full participation fee.

Timeline: Art by the Sea/June Show

Application deadline for June & Sept. early bird jury: April 9, 2010

Jurying ends for June Show and September Early bird Jury
And artists notified of acceptance: April 16, 2010

Confirmation payment due: May 3, 2010

Wait-listed artists contacted and invited: May 14, 2010

Show dates & times: **June 26-27, 2010**
9am to 5pm on Saturday
10am to 5pm on Sunday

Timeline: Art in the Park/September Show

Application deadline for September Show: July 12, 2010

Jurying ends & artists are notified of acceptance: July 15, 2010

Confirmation payment due: August 3, 2010

Wait-listed artists contacted and invited: August 9, 2010

Show dates & times: **September 25-26, 2010**
9am to 5pm on Saturday
10am to 4pm on Sunday

To enter the juried process, please complete the enclosed Application and the Terms of Participation form and return both with payment of the jury/application fee (\$25) and a CD with 5 images of your art work to the Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 158, Bar Harbor, ME 04609. If you are applying for different mediums of work, each must be juried. Applications must be received by April 9th for the June show and July 12th for the September show. To participate in both shows and take advantage of the “early bird” jury for the September Show, applications must be in by April 9th. Artists may apply in different media categories, but can only exhibit artwork in the category for which they are accepted. Exhibited work must be substantively similar to works submitted for jurying. The Chamber reserves the right to refuse any exhibitor.

Jury Process

Approximately 38 artists will exhibit at the 2010 event.

Images are reviewed by the panel in a blind jury process with multiple rounds. The identities of artists are not disclosed to jurors. The jury is comprised of working artists and other art professionals. The jury will view each artist's set of images simultaneously in a horizontal grouping. The artist information statements will be made available to the jury. Artistic excellence and a well balanced show are the criteria for selection of exhibitors. The top 38 receive invitations; the balances of artists in the final round are retained to comprise a waiting list of alternates. Decisions of the jury panel are final.

Core Criteria

Artistic Sensitivity

Technical Skill

Originality

There will be onsite overnight security from 6pm on Saturday to 6am on Sunday. The Chamber is not responsible for loss or damage to booths or contents. Booth spaces are 12' x 12' with 1' between exhibits. Work must be contained within the assigned space. Only one artist permitted per space, unless a two-person team qualifies as a dual entry, in which case both artists must be present for the duration of the show. Artists are required to set-up in the designated space assigned to them by the show director. Failure to adhere to the designated space boundaries may result in the artist(s) being required to reset their display. Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce gift checks and ribbons will be awarded for First, Second and Third place in each category. Coffee and muffins will be provided by the Chamber during set up on Saturday.

If you will not be participating this year, please help us keep our information current by returning the enclosed slip regarding our mailing list. If we do not hear from you in 2010, either as a participant or that you wish to remain on our mailing list, you will be removed from our list for 2011.

If you have any questions, please call me at 207-288-5103 x112 or email hjones@barharborinfo.com.

Sincerely,

Heather Jones
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