



Eligibility

We are looking forward to packing the streets with artisans of all types: painters, photographers, sculptors, metal crafters, jewelers, woodworkers, ceramics, etc. The Liberty Art Festival features both a Fine Art Walk and a separate Makers Market. While we know art can only be judged by the artist themselves, we feel some guidelines need to be set. We reserve the right to accept or deny any application. If the sample photos of your work do not meet the qualifications of either the Fine Art Walk or the Makers Market, your participation fee will be refunded. Please note that all art must be original.

Application Process

Artists must submit 3 photos (or digital images) that accurately represent their current art. Do not send actual work. Photos and digital images should be labeled with the artist's name and medium. Please note that photos submitted will not be returned. Notification of acceptance will be sent within three weeks of the receipt of your application.

Your own Mini Gallery

Each participant will receive a 10'x10' space to set-up and sell their original artwork. Additional spaces are available. Only one artist per space, please. Participants will need to provide their own tent, tables, chairs, props, weights, etc. Weights are required. Your tent will be set up on a city street, so please plan accordingly. The Art Walk will not be cancelled due to weather, so plan ahead for any and all weather conditions. Please note, that we cannot guarantee the location of your space. However, we will make every effort not to place similar artists next to each other. Should you need electricity, please note it on the application. A limited number of 10 and 20 amp circuits are available.

Requirements

Artists are required to be in attendance during show hours. You are responsible for keeping your space clean throughout the event, including end of day clean up. Vendors are expected to be able to provide proof of their own insurance. No pets will be allowed. Vendors are responsible for delivering and handling the setup and removal of their displays, tents, tables, etc. Artists are required to display original art.

Show Date and Location

October 2, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. The Fine Art Walk and Makers Market will be located on Washington and Liberty Streets in downtown Morris. Artists will be located near the Grundy County Courthouse and other festival activities.

Setup

Set up will begin at 8:00am. Please note that all spaces must be setup by 9:30am and remain until 4:00pm. Disassembling your area or packing up before 4:00pm will disqualify you from participation in future Art Walks.

Cost

The cost for a 10'x10' space is only \$25. Free for high school and college students! Participants will be responsible for collecting sales tax, paid in accordance to the Illinois Department of Revenue. Please note that the entry fee is nonrefundable.

Awards and Judging for Fine Art Walk

1st Place: \$200 and ribbon

2nd Place: \$150 and ribbon

3rd Place: \$50 and ribbon

Judging begins at 10:00 am and will be based on the overall quality of artwork and display.

Application Deadlines

Application, check and photos must be received or postmarked by September 10, 2021.

Applications may be considered after Sept10, but the participation fee will be \$40/space.

Send digital images to mddp@downtownmorris.com

Those who prefer, may mail application, photos and check to:

Morris Downtown Development Partnership

105 E. Main Street, Suite 302

Morris, IL 60450

Digital images may also be emailed to mddp@downtownmorris.com

Questions?

Contact the Morris Downtown Development Partnership, Inc. at (815) 941-0245 or

mddp@downtownmorris.com.



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