



Membership Application (*also Annual Renewal form*)

Mountain Regional Arts and Crafts Guild (MRACG)
(Mailing address) P.O. Box 1047, Hiawassee, GA 30546
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Website: www.mountainartscrafts.org

To join the Guild, please attend a meeting and bring samples of your craft/art to share with the group. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. at the Calvary Alliance Fellowship Hall (Across from Towns Co. School - Hwy. 76) Hiawassee, GA 30546.

Name(s): _____ Craft: _____

Please print email: _____

(Guild minutes and other Guild information are handled via email, so please be sure address is legible).

Address: _____ City/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

All Guild members must serve on at least one committee. Members are encouraged to participate in activities and attend Guild meetings regularly.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR AREA OF SKILL/INTEREST

Skills: Accounting____; Fundraising/Grant writing____; Teaching____; Public Relations ____;
Computer; ____ (i.e., website, updating chamber websites); Making phone calls____; Sending
Emails____; Newsletter____; Helping with reports____; Data collection____; Graphics____;
Desired committee: Standards ____; Education____; Shows____; Public Relations ____;
Membership____; Ways & Means____ (**see copy of committee descriptions attached**)

Membership Dues paid by December 31 for upcoming year

____ **Active Membership:** \$50 annually.

____ **Student Membership** (High School/College): \$25 annually.

Active/Student members may hold office, vote, and serve on committees.

____ **Joint Membership:** \$50 annually, (Joint members are those engaged in a single activity - joint members = 1 vote). (**If joining after June 30, membership fees discounted 50% - new members only**)

Additional Information

1. I release Mountain Regional Arts and Crafts Guild, Inc. (MRACG, INC), its board of directors, officers, agents, employees, volunteers, and affiliates from all claims for personal liability or loss or damage that may have or may in the future accrue to me in connection with participating as a vendor.
2. I give Mountain Regional Arts and Crafts Guild the right to reproduce photographs of my work and /or images taken of me for the purpose of publicity, promotion, and advertising in any manner or medium without restriction.
3. I understand that the Guild will receive 20% of sales of my items ordered on commission or sold at any Guild sponsored event.

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

OFFICE USE: When dues are received, please fill out information below.

Total: _____ Check #: _____ Cash: _____ Received by: _____ Date: _____

Modified 11/29/23 (dues increase -committee participation requirement/attached excerpt from Bylaws)

Modified 8/11/25 (change to commission percentage, removal of "Artworks" references)

Edited: 8/8/25

ARTICLE VIII

COMMITTEES (EXCERPT FROM 2/11/20 BYLAWS)

Section I Standing

Standing committees shall be appointed by the President and a Chairperson elected by the respective committee members. Only Active Members may serve as Chairpersons. Both Active and Associate members may serve on standing committees except for the Standards Committee, which shall be comprised of Active and Lifetime Members.

A. Membership

1. Prepares and maintains a directory of members to be distributed to Membership quarterly. (Amended February 11, 2020)
2. Maintains membership records current with those of the Secretary and Treasurer.
3. Accepts and processes applications of new members in accordance with the Bylaws.
4. Provides new members with a copy of the GUILD Bylaws and standards criteria.
5. Notifies the Board of delinquent members. (Amended February 11, 2020)

B. Standards

1. Is composed of five (5) Active or Lifetime Members and one independent juror generally recognized as competent artists and crafters who represent a diverse range of arts and crafts.
2. Will determine times to jury items presented by members. (Amended February 11, 2020)
3. Develops written criteria, with Board approval, for acceptance of arts and crafts to maintain standards for the quality of arts and crafts exhibited or sold in GUILD sponsored events. (Amended February 11, 2020)

C. Public Relations (Amended February 11, 2020)

1. Coordinate a comprehensive plan and publicize Guild activities including but, not limited to: newspaper, publications, Chambers of Commerce, social media and print. (Amended February 11, 2020)
2. Show, Education and Ways and Means Chairpersons will consult with the Publicity Chairperson and assume responsibility for their specific advertising needs. (Amended February 11, 2020) 7

D. Show

1. Plans, advertises, arranges and coordinates shows in which the GUILD hosts or participates, in accordance with the Board of Directors.
2. Provides information regarding facilities and logistics for exhibitors in preparation for shows.
3. Ensures all work exhibited in GUILD sponsored shows has been accepted by the Standards Committee. (Amended February 11, 2020)

E. Education

1. Manages all classes offered by the Guild. (Amended February 11, 2020)
2. Coordinate and promote all Guild sponsored art exhibits. (Amended February 11, 2020)
3. Arranges classes for targeted population in the community. (Amended February 11, 2020)

F. Ways and Means

1. Plans and executes fundraising activities and pursues alternative sources of revenue. (Amended February 11, 2020)
2. Responsible for sponsorship campaign. Amended February 11, 2020) 3. Tracks donations, both monetary and in-kind, and volunteer hours. (Amended February 11, 2020)