

Canton First Friday

2010 Artist Application



Description: Canton First Friday is a collaborative effort between the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce – Special Improvement District and ArtsinStark, The County Arts Council. It is primarily a self-guided tour of local art galleries, studios, stores, and restaurants. The event is designed to highlight local businesses and local artists.

Location: The festivities take place primarily around Court Ave. NW between 2nd St. NW and 6th St. NW.

Dates: Held on the First Friday of each month from 6 to 10 PM.

Info: For more information please contact Sarah Shumaker at ArtsinStark:

Tel. (330) 453-1075 ext. 207. Email sarah@artsinstark.com

Email is the best way to reach us.

Web site: www.CantonFirstFriday.com

Even if you have participated in the past, you must complete an application for 2010.

I. Information

Artist Name _____

Business (DBA) Name (if applicable) _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ Cell _____

Email _____

Website _____

II. Permits and Products

Artist permits are available for a charge of \$30 October – April and \$40 May – September.

Acceptance of application is subject to approval by ArtsinStark and the downtown Canton Special Improvement District and is based on appropriateness of product and space available. If an emergency occurs and you are unable to attend or if we are unable to secure a space for you, your money will be refunded. Artists will receive a First Friday vendor permit sticker to wear for each event they have registered and paid for.

Please check the 2010 dates you wish to participate in First Friday:

___ Jan. 8 (\$30) ___ Feb. 5 (\$30) ___ March 5 (\$30) ___ April 2 (\$30)

___ May 7 (\$40) ___ June 4 (\$40) ___ July 2 (\$40) ___ Aug. 6 (\$40) ___ Sept. 3 (\$40)

___ Oct. 1 (\$30) ___ Nov. 5 (\$30) ___ Dec. 3 (\$30)

Products: First Fridays are intended to help promote local art. **We welcome producer-made (handmade) art only.** Food products and reselling are not permitted through the artist permit. If you are interested in selling food, contact Kelly Bah at 330-458-2063 and please note that outside food vendor spaces are limited.

Describe any products you wish to sell in your assigned First Friday space. Attach photographs of artwork (or email them to sarah@artsinstark.com).

III. Vendor Space

Do you require electricity? ___ Yes ___ No Comments: _____

*****Please note that we will do our best to make electricity available if needed, but it is not guaranteed.**

First Friday organizers cannot guarantee that you will be scheduled to participate every month. Placement of artists will be done on a space available basis. In warmer months, artists are placed in outdoor locations (10"x10" feet space) and more artists are able to participate. In the winter months, space limits the number of artists participating. You may choose to accept that space assignment or forego participation in that month's First Friday. We aim to have artists assigned at least two weeks prior to each event.

Most indoor venues (winter months) will require participating artists to **bring their own table** (8 ft. maximum) with a **limit of 1 table** for most spaces. Some locations will have wall space available, but this is not guaranteed for every location.

IV. Artist Agreement

By signing this agreement the artist agrees to abide by the guidelines and decisions of Arts in Stark and the downtown Canton Special Improvements District, their employees or other representatives of the Canton First Friday.

(Please read and check all boxes to acknowledge your agreement):

- I will be set up and ready to go by **5:45 p.m.** on the day of the event.
- I will be present at my exhibit during published First Friday hours.
- I will notify the First Friday coordinator immediately if I am not able to participate in a scheduled First Friday
- I will remove the work immediately at the close of First Friday (9:45 PM) when displaying indoors, unless prior permission has been secured from the location to exhibit beyond that time.

Participants agree by signing to accept the following hold harmless clause:

- I have reviewed and agree to the above terms for participating in Canton First Friday.
- By registering for and participating in First Friday, I assume full risk and responsibility for any loss or damage incurred during this event and I release and hold harmless Canton First Friday coordinators, volunteers, or contractors; ArtsinStark; the Downtown Canton Special Improvement District Inc. Board Members; The Canton Development Partnership; The Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce; The City of Canton; and First Friday sponsors from any claims arising out of my participation in this event.
- I understand that I am solely responsible for all State, City, County, or other applicable permits, licenses, and/or certificates associated with my participation in First Friday.
- I understand that I have been advised to carry my own personal and product liability insurance.

Signature _____ Date _____

** Please include **payment** with money order or check made payable to ArtsinStark. PayPal payments can be made to dkoyle@artsinstark.com – please note that payment is for an artist vendor space.

Payment is expected by the close of business on the FRIDAY PRIOR to the event.

Please mail completed application and payment to :
Sarah Shumaker, ArtsinStark – FIRST FRIDAY, PO Box 21190, Canton, OH 44701-1190
or deliver payment to the ArtsinStark offices at 900 Cleveland Ave NW, Canton

Email is also acceptable: sarah@artsinstark.com

For further information or if you have questions call Sarah Shumaker at (330) 453-1075 ext. 207 (sarah@artsinstark.com) or Kelly Blandford Bah at (330) 458-2063 (kellyb@cantonchamber.org).