NAWA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Professional women artists, at least 18 years of age and citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. and Puerto Rico, are eligible to apply for membership in the National Association of Women Artists, Inc. In March and September of each year, new NAWA members are selected by a jury from applications and CDs. Accepted artists join a distinguished roster of past and present members including Mary Cassatt, Gertrude Vanderbilt Whitney, Isabel Bishop, Anna Hyatt Huntington, Alice Neel, Louise Nevelson, Audrey Flack, Miriam Schapiro, Pat Adams, Faith Ringgold, and many others. Currently, over 800 women artists from across the United States are members of the association. We thank you for considering membership.

Benefits of NAWA Membership

Exhibition Opportunities – The association organizes juried and curated exhibitions throughout the U.S. in galleries, museums, universities and art centers. We exhibit in various venues in New York City including our own NAWA Gallery office space. All members are entitled to exhibit one piece in the non-juried Annual Exhibition and to receive a catalog.

Awards – NAWA artists compete for exhibition awards totaling over $10,000 annually. Judges are chosen from outside the organization.

Networking - Opportunities are available to meet other professional women artists and to share concerns and advice through participation on committees and attendance at salons, receptions and special events.

Education - Programs address topics of professional development for artists. NAWA members are invited to attend lectures, panels and seminars which are open to the public.

Volunteering – New members are encouraged to volunteer for a minimum of 6 hours per year. Volunteers can serve on one or more of the following committees: Exhibitions, Membership, Outreach, Public Relations or Special Events. Local volunteers can work in our New York City office.
Benefits of NAWA Membership (continued):

Florida Chapter – Members who want to participate in the exhibitions and activities of the Florida Chapter can do so for an additional $30 in dues.

Massachusetts Chapter – Members who want to participate in the exhibitions and activities of the Massachusetts Chapter can do so for an additional $30 in dues.

The new South Carolina Chapter – Members who want to participate in the exhibitions and activities of the South Carolina Chapter can do so for an additional $30 in dues.

NAWA Website – Each member may place an image of her work on the NAWA website (www.thenawa.org). In addition, the Association can provide a Direct link to a member’s individual website. Members can follow us on Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter.

Listing in the NAWA Newsletter – Members’ accomplishments, current exhibits and awards are listed in our online newsletter.

History – Each member is catalogued in the NAWA historic archive. The archives and image files are available to curators and scholars and provide opportunities for national exposure.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

DEADLINES: March 15th and September 15th of each year
(Notification of acceptance/non-acceptance will be sent to applicants before the last day of March and September)

To apply for membership, please enter 5 images of your work in ONLY ONE of the following categories. If you are submitting artwork in the sculpture or installation category, please submit 2 views of 5 different artworks.
Categories for New Member Jurying:

Painting
Two-dimensional work such as: oil, acrylic, encaustic and other standard media on any support. It is artwork that is not presented under glass.

Works on Paper
Two-dimensional work on paper such as: watercolor, pastel, acrylic, drawing or printmaking media, digital art and handmade paper.

Sculpture
Three-dimensional sculptural work using additive or subtractive methods in any material. Work may be in the round or wall hung, unique or editioned, and includes assemblage and book arts.

Photography
Two-dimensional work including conventional cameras/dark room, digital, iPhone and IPad Photography (based on photography, not otherwise categorized as “digital art”).

Mixed Media
Three dimensional work incorporating the use of multiple media in one work, including a combination of found objects, found images and photographs. May be in conjunction with traditional artists’ media.

Collage
An artistic composition made up of various materials (paper, cloth or wood), glued on a picture surface.

Installation
Art that is created for a specific site, often incorporating materials or physical features of the site. It may be temporary or permanent.

Fiber Art
Art that consists of natural or synthetic fiber and/or other components, such as fabric or yarn. It focuses on aesthetic value over utility.

Digital Art
It is an original artistic work or practice that uses digital technology as part of the creative or presentation process – that is not photography dominant.
Membership Application Process

1. Jurying is done from CDs/DVDs/Flash Drives. Submit work in one of the defined categories. After acceptance, there are no category restrictions for members. (Work submitted for sponsored exhibitions will only be limited by the categories, themes and size requirements established for each exhibition.)

Clearly label CD/DVD/Flash Drive on outside with artist’s name, phone number and email address.

Within CD/DVD/Flash Drive - label each piece submitted with artist’s name, image number, title of work, medium and size in inches (height x width) or (height x width x depth).

Image Parameters:
Digital Images should be jogs. Image size should be 300ppi, and the largest side (height or width) should be 1800 pixels. (If you resize your image to 4” x 6” or 6” x 4”, it will default to 1800 pixels).

2. There is a non-refundable $25 application processing fee. Checks are made payable to the National Association of Women Artists, Inc.

3. All materials must be delivered to the NAWA office by the 15th of March or September to be eligible for jurying during that time frame. If you have any questions, please call the NAWA office (212) 675-1616.

4. The jury looks for a consistent body of professional work. There are no size or subject limitations for acceptance into NAWA, but a category must be chosen for your submission. (Our exhibition committee sets guidelines for artwork submitted for specific exhibitions. Public and private exhibition venues also set their own guidelines for artwork submitted.)

5. Upon acceptance. Annual dues and a one-time initiation fee are due within 15 days.

   NAWA Annual dues *                        $150.
   Initiation Fee (one-time payment)         45.

   Total                                     $ 195.

6. *The dues for new members accepted in March will be prorated at $75 (with the additional one time initiation Fee of $45 = $120)
Annual dues of $150 will be due in full at the beginning of the next fiscal year (the NAWA fiscal year begins on October 1 of every year.).
7. **Florida Chapter** - In order to join the Florida Chapter you must be a member of the National organization. The dues for the Florida Chapter are $30. To join as a new member please go to the website and click on “Become A Member” and follow the instructions.

If you have any question, please email her at: savoirthyme@comcast.net

*It is very important that the Florida Chapter have your contact information so you do not miss important notices for exhibits and events.*

8. **Massachusetts Chapter** – In order to join the Massachusetts Chapter you must be a member of the National organization. The dues for the Massachusetts Chapter are $30. To join, please send a check for $30 along with your contact information (name, address, phone number, email address and website) to the Massachusetts Chapter Treasurer: Lisa Goren, 29 Gordon Avenue, Hyde Park, MA 02136.

9. **The New South Carolina Chapter** – In order to join the South Carolina Chapter you must be a member of the National Organization. The dues for the South Carolina Chapter are $30. To join, please send a check for $30, along with your contact information (name, address, phone number, email address and website) to the South Carolina Chapter Treasurer: Ginny Paternite, 44 Remington Road, Bluffton, SC 29910.

8. **Checklist** of Membership Application materials:
   - Application form and non-refundable $25 processing fee
   - CD/DVD/Flash Drive
   - Image List Form
   - Biography
   - Stamped, self-addressed #10 envelope for jury results
   - Prepaid, self-addressed CD/DVD mailer if you want your CD/DVD/Flash Drive returned
   - (Check made payable to National Association of Women Artists, Inc.)

**Send all materials to:** National Association of Women Artists, Inc.
Attention: Membership
315 West 39th Street, Suite 508
New York, NY 10018
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

DATE____________________

LEGAL NAME ________________________________________________________

NAME (exactly as you want to be known)____________________________________

STREET ADDRESS________________________________________________________

CITY________________________STATE_______ZIP________

EMAIL________________________WEBSITE____________________________________

PHONE _________________________CELL _________________________________

U.S. CITIZEN ( ) or PERMANENT U.S. RESIDENT ( )

BIRTHDATE: _____________ OR CIRCLE AGE RANGE: 18-34  35-55  56+

You may include a separate one page bio with this page.

Circle 1 (one) category below for the jurying of your images:

Painting  Works on Paper  Sculpture

Mixed Media  Collage  Photography

Installation  Fiber Art  Digital Art

EDUCATION - DEGREES EARNED:

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION – Continued:

AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS:

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SOLO/GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

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How or where did you hear about NAWA?

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The completed membership application and fee will serve as the artists’ agreement and acceptance of all requirements for membership set forth in this application.

Thank you for applying to the National Association of Women Artists, Inc. for membership.
CD/DVD/FLASH DRIVE - IMAGE LIST

NAME: ________________________________ DATE: ______________

CATEGORY: ________________________________

Please complete all information on this page, and also include it on the CD/DVD.

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DVD FOR VIDEO – Please include a 30 SECOND introduction of your work. In one or two paragraphs please, describe how you created and finalized the project. Include: the title, theme, length, format, software program and goal.

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