

The Love Affair

28th Annual Fine Arts Festival
TIFTON, GEORGIA

Two Day Arts Show ~ May 3 – May 4

Artist Application Details Inside
Early Bird Deadline December 3, 2007
Late Registration February 15, 2008
Limited Spaces Available – Apply early

Over \$16,000 in cash and prizes

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General Information

In its 28th year, The Love Affair Fine Art Festival held in Tifton, GA is a celebration of performing and visual arts. As a part of the festival, an Arts Market called Art in the Park is slated for May 3 – May 4 in Fulwood Park. Located in the heart of the town, this park provides artists with cool and spacious areas to display and market their works. Last year, over 25,000 festival attendees enjoyed hopping the quality art booths, watching an array of excellent performances and socializing among the tall Georgia pines. Each year people fall in love with the arts all over again at the finest arts festival in South Georgia.

Cash awards and purchase awards totaled over \$16,000 last year. Consistently purchase award givers have exceeded their pledged amount, many times by doubling or tripling their dollar expenditures.



Advertising and Marketing

The Love Affair is promoted throughout the state of Georgia and North Florida. A mixture of media including television advertising is used to attract knowledgeable art buyers as well as the novice.

Community Enthusiasm

The people of Tifton and the surrounding counties enthusiastically support the Love Affair. Civic groups, community organizations, Chamber of Commerce plus city and county governments are involved in the festival.

Professionalism

A staff of skilled professionals in association with a committed festival board plans and executes the Love Affair. Every effort is made to produce a quality arts event.

Hospitality

Volunteers assist artists with unloading and booth set up. A continental breakfast is provided to the artists on Saturday morning. An organized group of volunteers provide artists with relief services for breaks throughout the day.

Quality

The Love Affair strives to present the best possible work through careful selection by outside jurors.

The Love Affair has a solid reputation among festivals and artists based on:

Jurying Procedures

Outside jurors will determine acceptance to the festival based on slides or high resolution digital images (jpegs) submitted. Booth arrangement will be a part of the jurying criteria. Jurors will also specify which open air market the work will be displayed in, either the Arts Market or the Children and Family Crafts Market. Participation in the Arts Gallery will be indicated by the jurors. Number of pieces in the gallery with a maximum of three will be set by the jurors for each individual artist. Pieces in the Arts Gallery will be judged for prize money. Special signage will be placed at the winner's booth. Purchase awards by be selected from the gallery or from the open air market.

If you have exhibited at Love Affair for three (3) consecutive years, ask about our Affiliate Artist status by calling the ABAC Arts Connection at 229-391-4820 or sending an e-mail to artsconnection@abac.edu.

Categories

Arts Market Media

- Oils, Acrylics, Pastels
- Watercolor
- Mixed Media
- Drawings and Graphics
- Pottery
- Photography
- Wood
- Baskets
- Glass
- Sculpture
- Fiber
- Jewelry
- Metal

Children's and Family Arts Market Media

- Toys
- Clothing
- Gourmet Foods
- Furniture
- Candles
- Handmade Soaps
- Needlework
- Wood
- Glass

General Rules

No distribution of literature or items of any kind of solicitation of signatures on petitions or any other document will be allowed unless otherwise permitted by the festival board.

The festival board reserves the right to make any changes or additions to the rules and regulations.

The festival board must approve all exhibitors, vendors, and entertainment in the festival area. No unauthorized street vendors or entertainment will be allowed.

By city ordinance, overnight parking of vehicles in the park is prohibited.

Artist Rules Please read carefully as there are changes from previous years.

Vendors must portray a family oriented image.

Works deemed unacceptable by the festival board and management will be removed from the show with no refund to the exhibitor.

The artist(s) must be present at the festival.

All works must be original art created by the exhibiting artist.

Exhibited works must be consistent with slides or digital images submitted for jurying.

Pieces exhibited in the Gallery in a previous year may not return to the Gallery.

Up to 20 % of the work can be photo offset, letterpress or gravure reproductions of original artwork if signed and numbered.

Each artist is responsible for collecting and reporting Georgia sales tax on all sales made during the festival. A form will be included in the artist packet at check-in.

For Gallery competition, all watercolors and dry graphic media must be covered with glass or plexi-glass.

The festival assumes no liability for any damages in the installation, display, or removal of any artist's work in either their own booths or in the Gallery Tent. Exhibitors display all artwork and fixtures at their own risk.

Artists must provide their own tents. The festival no longer offers tent rentals.

Safety Requirement: The City of Tifton Director of Parks and Cemeteries must be present and approve the location before any stake or other object is driven in the ground to insure avoidance of electrical and water lines.

Fixtures and shelving are not provided.

No commercial booths. No signage or past award ribbons are allowed on or in the booth.

All booth items and Gallery Competition works must be available for sale.

Only one artist per space. No sharing of booths is allowed. A two-person team or partnership producing a single item may qualify as a single exhibitor.

All accepted exhibitors are required to come to the festival check-in before setting up. A picture ID and acceptance letter are required at check-in.

Space assignments as determined by the festival board are final.

Acceptance one year into the festival does not guarantee acceptance in the subsequent years.

To be eligible for awards, the artist must exhibit during the entire show. Prize money will be mailed to winners within 10 days of the close of the festival.

Artist may not tear down before 5 p.m. on Sunday. Any artist dismantling early will not be invited to the festival in 2009.

Security for off hours is minimal.

No refund will be made for inclement weather or other acts of God over which the festival board has no control, and the risk of loss from such an event shall be borne by the exhibitor. This is an open-air show.

Prohibited

- Artwork created before 2005.
- Work created from kits, picture frames, velvet paintings, manufactured or kit jewelry, art supplies, commercial signage or displays, decoupage and ceramics cast from commercial molds.
- Works deemed unacceptable by the festival board and management OR works inconsistent with the artist's application will be removed from the show with no refund to the exhibitor.
- Any mass-produced works.
- Sawtooth hangers are prohibited in the Gallery.
- Alcohol and sound systems.
- Consignment work from another artist.

Application Instructions

Love Affair's Art in the Park is a Saturday – Sunday show ~ May 3 - May 4

The application form must be filled out completely and signed by the exhibiting artist. If a two-person team, both artists must sign the application. Application form and all required enclosures are to be sent in a package to The Love Affair Fine Arts Festival, c/o ABAC Arts Connection, ABAC 45, 2802 Moore Hwy, Tifton, GA 31793.

Show Dates and Times

Saturday, May 3 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Sunday, May 4 12 noon to 5 p.m.

Set up:

Friday, May 2 12 noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 3 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.

Gallery pieces will be accepted ONLY between 7 a.m. and 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 3rd.

One vehicle per vendor will be allowed by permit (received at check-in) in the park for set-up. All vehicles must be clear of the park and in designated parking areas prior to 9 a.m. Vehicles remaining after 9 a.m. may be ticketed and towed at the owner's expense.

Fees

Applications must be accompanied by credit card information or check payable to Tifton-Tift County Arts Council. There is a \$25 charge for insufficient funds.

- _____ \$100 Entry fee by Priority Deadline for 10 x 10 space (refundable if not accepted to festival)
- _____ \$125 Entry fee by Late Registration Deadline for 10 x 10 space (refundable if not accepted to festival)

Images

Color slides or high resolution (1280 pixel x 1024 pixel) digital image (jpegs)

1 of your booth/display to show work on display

3 representing your original work to be shown at festival

Slides must be marked with artist's name, title of work, category, specific medium, and dimensions. See diagram.

Digital images must use the following format for file names: for art, *artist's last name_medium* and for booth, *artist's last name_booth*.

Digital images may be emailed to artsconnection@abac.edu or sent on disc or CD with your completed application.

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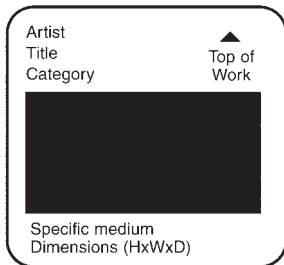
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- Signed and completed application
- Credit card information or check for appropriate fees payable to Tifton-Tift County Arts Council
- Four properly labeled images

EARLY BIRD DEADLINE: December 3, 2007 / LATE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: February 15, 2008

Artist Name _____

Co-Artist Name (if applicable) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email address _____

Credit Card Type: Visa Mastercard

Number _____ Exp. Date _____

(Charges will appear on your bill as ABAC Business Office.)

Social Security Number _____ (required to issue award checks)

Medium/type of work _____ Price Range \$ _____ - \$ _____

Last four shows /festivals participated in _____

Any honors/prizes won _____

Referred by _____

Please check if contact information is new or has changed.

Signature of Artist

Signature of Co-Artist (if applicable)

EARLY BIRD DEADLINE: Must be postmarked no later than December 3.

QUESTIONS? Call 229-391-4820 or email artsconnection@abac.edu.