

# The Rules of the 2023 Victor Smith Law Group Central Park Art Festival

1. Artists must exhibit and be present during the complete show, from **10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday**, March 18, and from **10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Sunday**, March 19, 2023. Failure to follow this rule makes the artists ineligible for prizes and admission to future shows.
2. All work must be original, created since 2019 and signed by the artist. Artists shall exhibit only works typified by submitted **email**. No CD's or Photos.  
Only the works of the accepted artists may be sold or displayed at the Festival.
  - \* All reproductions must be signed and numbered.
  - \* All reproductions whether framed or unframed must be clearly & individually labeled "REPRODUCTION" or "LIMITED EDITION REPRODUCTION". This notice must appear on the front of each item displayed.
  - \* All framed or unframed reproductions may be displayed in a browse bin.
  - \* Digital Art must be original artwork that is created on a computer, and must be signed. Original limited edition prints of digital art will be permitted, and must be signed and numbered as part of an edition.
  - \* Photographs must be from the artist's original art work and must be signed.
  - \* Ceramic works must be handmade by the artist. If multiple pieces of the same design are displayed, each must be signed.
  - \* **Not eligible to be exhibited:** Crocheting, knitting, picture frames, velvet paintings, manufactured or kit jewelry, ceramics cast from commercial molds, art supplies, commercial displays, decoupage, candles, shell craft, bonsai, stuffed animals, hats, leather purses or wearing apparel, except one-of-a-kind items made by the artist's hand.
  - \* No artist shall be allowed to sell **non-original** items at the Art Festival. For example: prints, posters, greeting cards, postcards, calendars, T-shirts and so forth.
3. All entries will be juried. All entrants are required to email photos of their artwork/display. Submissions must represent the basic quality and nature of the work to be exhibited. Improper or excessive photos will result in immediate rejection. The decision of the screening committee is final. **Deadline for entry is January 31, 2023.** All entrants will be notified of their acceptance or rejection **via email** on or about February 8, 2023.  
*entries should be mailed with the application and your 2 separate checks. Or email and call with a CC.*
4. Artist must be present. No stand-in exhibitors, dealers, agents, wholesalers. The Committee reserves the right to ask any exhibitor for identification. There will be one artist to exhibit in a space. All work must be attributed solely to the displaying artist. All works must be for sale or available for commission. No commercial displays.
5. When the Jury date has passed, the commitment to show will be official.  
***No refunds will be made due to cancellation by the Artist after Feb 1st.***
6. Displays will be viewed by the Viewing Committee at intervals throughout the Festival. The Viewing Committee shall have the sole discretion to require the removal of art work which violates Festival rules. Artists violating any Festival rule must remove exhibit immediately. There will be no refunds made to the Artist.
7. Exhibit spaces measure approximately 10' X 11'. The Artist must stay within the allotted space. No tarps beyond your area. A booth identification card will be provided to you at check-in and must be attached to the front upper left hand corner of your display during the show. Artist must provide booth frames or support structures if desired.
8. Artist registration and set-up will begin Friday, March 17, from 2:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m., OR from 7:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 18. ALL set-ups MUST be completed by 9:00 a.m. on Saturday and ALL vehicles moved to designated parking areas. No exceptions. All exhibitors must check in at the Ridge Art Registration Tent to obtain a booth card before they set up their exhibit. Artists will receive their packet of information and instructions at that time. *No set-ups after 6:00 p.m. on Friday.* Everyone will be attending the reception!
9. Artists not set-up in their spaces by 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 18, will lose their spaces to alternates. In the event of an emergency, late shows must call ahead to receive their space. No shows must inform the Art Festival Committee (863) 291-5661 on or before Noon, Friday, March 17, 2023. Failure to do so will disqualify them from being accepted in any future Central Park Art Festivals. Any person closing their space prior to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 19 will be disqualified from future shows and will relinquish all rights to prize money.
10. Security will be provided both days.
11. Collection of the 7 % Florida Sales Tax on all sales is the responsibility of each exhibitor.
12. **NO PETS!** Artists will NOT be permitted to bring pets onto the Festival site.

## 2023 Artist Application

(Please Print NEATLY or Type ALL information)

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*E-mail address (*you will be notified by email*)**

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Check the category that applies to your work:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Painting-Acrylics   | <input type="checkbox"/> Pottery/Ceramics  | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Painting-Oil        | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography       | <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing and Graphics |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Painting-Watercolor | <input type="checkbox"/> Jewelry (no kits) | <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed Media          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fiber (no clothing) | <input type="checkbox"/> Wood (no kits)    | <input type="checkbox"/> Glass (no kits)      |

I acknowledge and agree that my completion and submission of this application represents my commitment to participate in the 45th Annual **Victor Smith Law Group Central Park Art Festival** to be held in Winter Haven, Florida, **March 18-19, 2023.** I hereby release the Victor Smith Law Group Central Park Art Festival, Ridge Art Association, the City of Winter Haven and its officers, agents and employees, as well as ad sponsoring organizations and their employees from any responsibility, personal liability, loss, claims, or damages rising out of or in connection with this Festival.

I have received and read the Festival Rules, which are part of this application and are incorporated herein by reference. If I am accepted into the Festival, I agree to abide by the rules adopted by the Victor Smith Law Group **Central Park Art Festival**, after the date of publication of the 2023 Victor Smith Law Group Central Park Art Festival artist's application.

The Ridge Art Association's Victor Smith Law Group Central Park Art Festival is a family oriented sidewalk show for spectators of all ages and work exhibited must be in keeping with this atmosphere. All displays will be viewed initially by the viewing committee on Saturday morning prior to the official opening and at intervals throughout the festival for the purpose of assuring that all rules of the festival are in compliance. The viewing committee shall have sole discretion to require the removal of work which violates any of the festival rules. Violations will result in the artist being asked to remove his/her exhibit from the festival and will be considered ineligible for future festivals.

Signature of Artist \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Application rates:  
 \$148 postmarked Nov 10, 2022  
 \$158 postmarked Nov 11– Dec 31, 2022  
 \$168 postmarked Jan 2-Jan 31, 2023  
 \$198 *after judging, IF space is available*

**Judging will be February 7, 2023**

RAA will cash your jury check upon receipt  
 your booth rental check will be deposited on  
 Feb 7th *if accepted.*

Checks payable to: Ridge Art Asso-CPAF

**Questions: Christy Hemenway**

Mail to: [Victor Smith Law Group Central Park Art Festival](mailto:office@ridgeart.org)  
[c/o Ridge Art Association](mailto:office@ridgeart.org)  
 210 Cypress Gardens Blvd, SW Winter Haven, Florida 33880

[office@ridgeart.org](mailto:office@ridgeart.org) email best  
 863.291.5661 (1-4 pm T-F) after Oct 18

Do you plan to attend the Artist's Reception on Friday, March 17th? Yes- No- # attending \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK LIST:  
 Completed application form  \$28.00 Check # \_\_\_\_\_ For Application Fee  Check # \_\_\_\_\_ for Booth Space  Pics emailed  
 \*\*\*\*Credit Cards accepted by phone with emailed app and photos\*\*\*\*