

# BACKSTREET GALLERY Cooperative Membership Application

(Please use additional pages as needed)

1421 Bay St. Florence, OR 97439 (541) 997-8980

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

## Art Background

What primary mediums do you want to display in the Gallery? (No more than 3, please)

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Current Backstreet members who know you: \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to join Backstreet Gallery Cooperative?

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**Working and Non-Working memberships are available:** Which type is for you?  
**First review pg. 2 regarding membership types, display space, fees, duties, etc.**

**1. Working Member** \_\_\_\_\_ **Or: 2. Non-Working Member** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Working Member Space - (Fees determine)** Full space \_\_\_  $\frac{3}{4}$  space \_\_\_  $\frac{1}{2}$  space \_\_\_\_\_

**Please include at least 8 to 10 photographs of your artwork with this application.**  
Mail to, or deliver to, Backstreet Gallery, 1421 Bay Street, Florence, OR 97439

I have read the Membership Information sheet provided to me with this application.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Backstreet Gallery Cooperative Corporation** 1421 Bay Street, Florence Oregon 97439, Phone,  
541-997-8980 [www.backstreetgallery.org](http://www.backstreetgallery.org) Attention, Membership Chair

# Information on Membership in Backstreet Gallery Cooperative

## Who we are:

Backstreet Gallery Coop was incorporated, 2005, with Oregon's Secretary of State. Since then, we have been doing business as a fee-based, membership cooperative and are in compliance with State of Oregon Statutes and Secretary of State rules. Our Restated By-Laws are available to all members.

## **Two types of membership are available: Working Member - Non-Working Member**

Both Working and Non-Working Members pay fees.

### **A. Working Members: You have full ownership in the business.**

1. Pay quarterly fees for guaranteed display-space. Space sizes are Half, Full or **combinations thereof.** Fees are \$200/quarter for Full-space and \$100/quarter for Half-Space and are paid when due: January 1, March 15, June 15, Sept. 15.
2. Display Chair determines available space for new working members.
3. Backstreet charges a commission of 10% on working member's sales. Commission and fees for all members, working and non-working, may occasionally be reset if deemed necessary, by a 2/3 vote of working members.
4. Working Members share the responsibility of clerking so all shifts are filled.
5. Working Members oversee the business functions of the cooperative and have comprehensive voting privileges as described in our By-Laws. Attendance at business meetings, first Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. is required. This is where members are kept informed of all Gallery business and activities. Working-members vote and have final say in most decisions of the business.
6. Working Members may serve on the Board and must participate on two committees. Our committees ensure smooth function of the business.
7. **Emails are required:** Must read and respond to emails concerning our business.
8. Working-Members must live within 25 miles of the Gallery re: clerking.
9. After fulfilling a one-year commitment as a Working-Member, a Working-Member desiring to become a Non-Working Member must reapply and follow the current application process to become a Non-Working Member.

### **B. Non-Working Members "NWM":**

1. Must live within 75 miles of Backstreet Gallery Cooperative and offer unique art, not currently displayed by Backstreet's Working Members.
2. Pay Annual fees for display of art **without** guaranteed Space Size.  
**Fees are \$100.00 per year to be paid by: January 15.**
3. Display Chair determines how much space is available to Non-Working Members.
4. Backstreet charges a commission of 39% on Non-Working Member's sales.
5. Non-Working Members do not clerk nor serve on any business function.
6. Non-Working Members do not have voting privileges.
7. For NWM to return to Working Member, they must be medically and physically able to perform all duties of Working Membership and follow the current application process.

**Insurance:** Gallery insurance covers visitors to the Gallery. It does not cover members' artwork. You are encouraged to purchase your own insurance as you see fit.