

# BACKSTREET GALLERY Cooperative

## Membership Application

(Please use additional pages as needed)

1421 Bay St. Florence, OR 97439 (541) 997-8980 – [www.backstreetgallery.org](http://www.backstreetgallery.org)

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 that you know: \_\_\_\_\_

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, distance from gallery, fees, duties, etc.**

**Working Member** \_\_\_\_\_ Full Space\_\_\_\_ or Half Space\_\_\_\_  
or **Non-Working Member** \_\_\_\_\_ Space determined by Display

Please include at least 8 to 10 digital photographs of your artwork with this application.

Mail to, or deliver to, Backstreet Gallery, 1421 Bay Street, Florence, OR 97439 Attn: Membership Chair

-Or- Send a photo of your application and 8-10 jpegs to Membership Chair, Kathryn Damon-Dawson  
kddwso2000@gmail.com

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

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

## Information on Membership in Backstreet Gallery Cooperative

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. We are open every day except 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday for cleaning and updating artist' displays.

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

**Applicants living within 25 miles of the gallery must apply as a Working Member.**

**Applicants for Nonworking Member must live between 25 and 75 miles from the gallery.**

### **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 \$210/quarter for Full-space and \$105/quarter for Half-Space and are paid when due: January 15, March 15, June 15, September 15.
2. Display Chair determines available space for new Working Members.
3. Backstreet charges commission of 12% 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. Backstreet charges new Working Members a one-time Acceptance Fee of \$60 for the cost of an ID badge; Member's "everything you need to know" Notebook; Materials Management materials; etc.
5. Working Members share the responsibility of clerking so all shifts are covered.
6. Working Members oversee the business functions of the cooperative and have comprehensive voting privileges as described in our By-Laws. Attendance at "first Tuesday" business meeting is required. This is when members are kept informed of all Gallery business and activities. They vote on most decisions for the business and attend an annual, all-day Budget-Setting meeting in January.
7. Working Members may serve on the Board and must participate on at least two committees. Our committees ensure smooth function of the business.
8. **Emails are required:** Members must read and respond, when appropriate, to business-related emails.
9. Working-Members must live within 25 miles of the Gallery re: clerking.

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

1. Can live no farther than 75 miles from Backstreet Gallery and must offer unique art which is not currently displayed by Backstreet's Working Members.
2. Pay Annual fees for display of art **without** guaranteed Space Size. Fees are \$125.00 per year to be paid by January 15, each year. (Fees are reviewed annually at our all-day Summit Meeting.)
3. Display Chair determines how much space is available to Non-Working Members.
4. Backstreet charges a commission of 40% 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

**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.