

# ASSOCIATION PROCEDURES

## Membership

Membership in GVAA remains in effect as long as yearly dues are paid by February 28<sup>th</sup>. Members are encouraged to actively participate in Library shows, critiques, and outside exhibits offered by the GVAA.

## Requirements for Entering all GVAA Library Shows

Members may submit 1 or 2 pieces of art at each ingathering.

Artwork must be original work of the artist, not copied from another painting or enhanced in any way by an instructor or other person.

All works must be securely wired, clean and ready for hanging. Clips for hanging are not acceptable. Gallery-wrapped canvas supports may be unframed. All other works must be framed. Diptychs/triptychs or multi-part two dimensional works must have their components connected and wired with a single secure wire for hanging.

Finished art must not exceed 42 inches or be smaller than 8 inches in any direction.

All paintings must be dry to touch. Digitally manipulated images and photographs can be used in artwork submitted.

Artwork on paper must be covered by glass or Plexiglas. Shrink-wrapped art is not acceptable.

Artwork must be appropriate for public viewing.

Artwork may be hung only once in a juried Library show.

Craftwork and 3 dimensional free-standing art will not be accepted.

**Artists submitting artwork will sign a liability waiver form. Insurance is the responsibility of the artist. Neither the Goleta Valley Art Association nor any public or private facility will be responsible for any loss.**

## Application for Membership in GVAA

Applicants must present two pieces of original, not copied, fine art or photography in the same medium, following the above described requirements for presenting your artwork at any juried Goleta Library Multipurpose Room ingathering. You will pay a non-refundable entry fee for both pieces.

Your work will be judged for artistic quality, consistency of style and presentation. Both pieces must be accepted by the juror in order for you to be eligible to become a member of GVAA.

Return between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. to review the juror's decision and to pick up unselected work. (Only one piece per member may be hung.) To become a member you must pay the applicable membership fee. Membership will remain in force for the balance of the year.

## Juried Shows at the Goleta Library

**Ingatherings** for Goleta Library shows are usually held on a Friday according to a schedule published in the Newsletter, from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm in the Goleta Library Multipurpose Room. Only one piece per member, if any, may be selected to be hung in Goleta Library shows. Unselected work **must** be picked up between 3:00 and 5:00 pm. Selected artwork will hang for the next 3-4 weeks. All shows at the Library are juried except for the annual *Picassos for Peanuts*, in December.

**Critiques** for all juried shows are held in the Library on the last Wednesday of the month from **6:15 - 8:00 pm**. After GVAA announcements/meeting, the Juror of the show speaks and offers constructive comments or gives a brief lesson. Artwork may not be removed from the library walls before the Critique without the permission of the

President. All artwork **must** be removed from the library walls and library premises following the Critique.

### **WARNING!**

**If you do not pick up your work, or pre- arrange to have someone else pick up your work, at the time specified after either an Ingathering or a Critique, you will not be allowed to enter the next GVAA juried or holiday show.**

Artwork cannot be stored at the Goleta Library and GVAA is not responsible for artwork that is not picked up.

### **Sales**

When artwork is sold from a Goleta Library Show, the artist is expected to donate 10% of the sale price to **Friends of the Library. Mailing address is P.O. Box 635, Goleta 93116.** For any sale from a GVAA event outside the Library, the artist may be expected to donate a percentage to GVAA. If an outside venue charges a commission or percentage, then members are exempt from donating a percentage to GVAA.

### **Dues and Fees**

The annual dues are \$25 and are to be paid on January 1. For new members accepted after August 1, they are only \$15 for the remainder of the year.

The entry fee for Goleta Library shows is \$10 for one or two pieces of artwork. Please bring exact change or pay by check.

### **Venues**

The main venue for GVAA shows is the **Goleta Public Library** at 500 N. Fairview Ave. in Goleta. Others include:

**Stow House** 304 N. Los Carneros Road, in Goleta.

**Other venues may become available to the GVAA. Your ideas and suggestions are welcomed.**

## **GVAA BYLAWS**

### **ARTICLE I MEMBERSHIP**

#### **Section 1 Number of Members and Classification**

- A. The number of members shall not be limited.
- B. There are two classes of membership:
  - 1. Exhibiting members: at least 18 years of age whose work has been accepted for hanging.
  - 2. Youth members: under 18 years of age who have been juried into a regular show or are recipients of GVAA scholarship awards.

#### **Section 2 Qualification for Membership**

- A. Exhibiting members: Any person 18 or over desiring to become an exhibiting member shall deliver two works of art in the same medium for consideration at a regular ingathering. Upon acceptance of art by the Judge and payment of annual dues, said person shall become a member of the Association. Membership shall remain valid as long as annual dues are paid in a timely manner.
- B. Youth members: Any youth under 18 who desires to become a youth member shall deliver two works of art in the same medium for consideration at a regular ingathering. Upon acceptance of the art by the Judge, said person becomes a youth member. This membership shall remain valid until the person's 18th birthday. Scholarship winners shall be given a youth membership if they are under 18 years old.

### **Section 3 Membership Benefits**

- A. Exhibiting members may submit works of art at all Association sponsored ingatherings. They may vote in elections and run for elective office.
- B. Youth members may submit artwork at all Association sponsored ingatherings. They may vote in elections. They may not hold elective office.
- C. All members shall be provided a copy of the Membership Directory and receive an email link to the Association Newsletter unless the member has requested the Association Newsletter be sent to them by regular US Postal Service.

## **ARTICLE II OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS**

### **Section 1 Officers and Directors**

- A. There shall be six officers: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Social Events Coordinator and Newsletter Editor.
- B. There shall be two Directors (voting).
- C. There may be up to three Advisors (non-voting).
- D. The number of Committee Chairpersons will be in accord with the needs of the Association.

### **Section 2 Duties**

- A. President: The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board and call extra meetings as necessary for the business of the Association. The President or designated substitute will be present and will lead all ingatherings, critiques and special meetings, and serve as caretaker of official Association papers.
- B. Vice President: In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the President. The Board may assign other duties as required.
- C. Treasurer: The Association shall maintain savings and checking accounts in a financial institution. The Treasurer shall be responsible for depositing all funds into these accounts and dispersing funds as directed by the Board. Accurate records shall be maintained. The Treasurer shall report all financial transactions conducted in the previous month at each Board meeting. The Treasurer shall provide any information necessary to a tax specialist as requested.
- D. Recording Secretary: The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the minutes of the Association Board meetings and make such minutes available to the membership.
- E. Social Events Coordinator: The Social Events Coordinator shall make arrangements for social activities as requested by the President.
- F. Newsletter Editor: The Newsletter Editor shall prepare the Association Newsletter and arrange for its publishing and distribution to all members, via email, post on TGVAA.org website and if specifically requested, by U.S. Postal Service.
- G. Directors: The Directors shall attend all Board meetings and assume special duties as requested by the Board.
- H. Advisors: The Advisors are invited to attend Board meetings and to make special presentations or advise on Association matters.

### **Section 3 Elections and Terms of Office**

- A. Announcement of Elections and Slate of Officers and Directors: A Slate of Officers and Directors presented by the Nominating Committee shall be published in the September Newsletter or in a separate email with an opportunity for write-in candidates. The names of the write-in candidates must be given, in writing, to the Nominating Committee Chairperson or to GVAA President at least one week prior to the election.
- B. Date of Election of Officers and Directors: Election of Officers and Directors shall be held at the October critique or other noticed member meeting before the year end by voice vote of the members present.
- C. Officers: The six officers shall be elected annually for a term of one year. The term of office begins January 1 following the election. Vacancies are to be filled by the Board, or, if necessary, upon recommendation of the Nominating Committee.
- D. Directors: In the event that the immediate past President, Vice President or other past Officers are unable to serve as Directors, the GVAA Board or the Nominating Committee will select up to two GVAA members to serve.

### **Section 4 Appointments**

- A. Advisors: The President has the discretion to appoint up to three Advisors to the Board.
- B. Committee Chairpersons: The incoming President will submit names of committee chairpersons to the Board for their approval. The chairpersons may select their own committee members with assistance from the Board as requested.
- C. Nominating Committee: The Board will appoint a Nominating Committee Chairperson, if necessary, who will serve for the calendar year and will select four members at large to serve on the committee. This committee will present to the Board recommendations for replacement of vacant Officer/Director positions as needed during the year and will prepare a slate of candidates for the succeeding year for submission to the Board.

### **ARTICLE III DUES**

- A. Annual dues for GVAA shall be determined by the Board and published in appropriate places. Change in exhibit fees will be approved by ballot at the appropriate General meeting.
- B. Annual dues shall be payable before February 28. Delinquent members shall be dropped. They may reapply under Article I, Section 2, Qualification for Membership.
- C. New members joining after August 1 shall pay prorated dues for the remainder of the year.
- D. Youth members and current and past Presidents are exempt from paying annual dues.

### **ARTICLE IV AMENDMENTS**

- A. Members requesting Bylaw changes must present their suggestions in writing to the President. After discussion by the Board, the President shall present any amendments to the membership for consideration.
- B. Members shall be notified in the Association Newsletter or by separate email at least 15 days prior to a meeting called to vote on the changes. On such date any amendments must be approved by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present. Voting will be by voice vote or ballot at the meeting.

#### **ARTICLE V MEETINGS**

- A. Board meetings shall be held monthly unless they are deemed unnecessary by the President. They shall be open to all members.
- B. The annual meeting of the Association shall be at the October critique or other noticed member meeting before the year end.
- C. A general meeting shall precede each critique. Additional general meetings may be called by the President, determined by the needs of the Association.