tenino arts

WELCOMES

WASHINGTON STATE ARTS COMMISSION

CREATIVE ARTS DISTRICTS

The purpose of Tenino Arts is to encourage local artisans by creating opportunities, a community for support and education and to foster the Tenino community as an area that embraces the creative arts.

What started as a couple of displaced artisans making the most of a parking lot in a pandemic has grown! We gained more and more artisans through the summer, moved our outdoor market to downtown Tenino at the end of September and co-hosted (with the Tenino Chamber of Commerce) a wildly successful Tenino Holiday Market for 6 weekends! TENINO ARTS is now Tenino's newest nonprofit and we've got exciting plans for the future!



DESPERATION BREEDS INVENTION...OR I THINK THAT'S HOW THE SAYING GOES...



Our founders, Jenny Hall and Donna Mayo with George Sharp















tenino arts



















tenino arts



tenino arts



tenino arts

How it happens

Set the Date

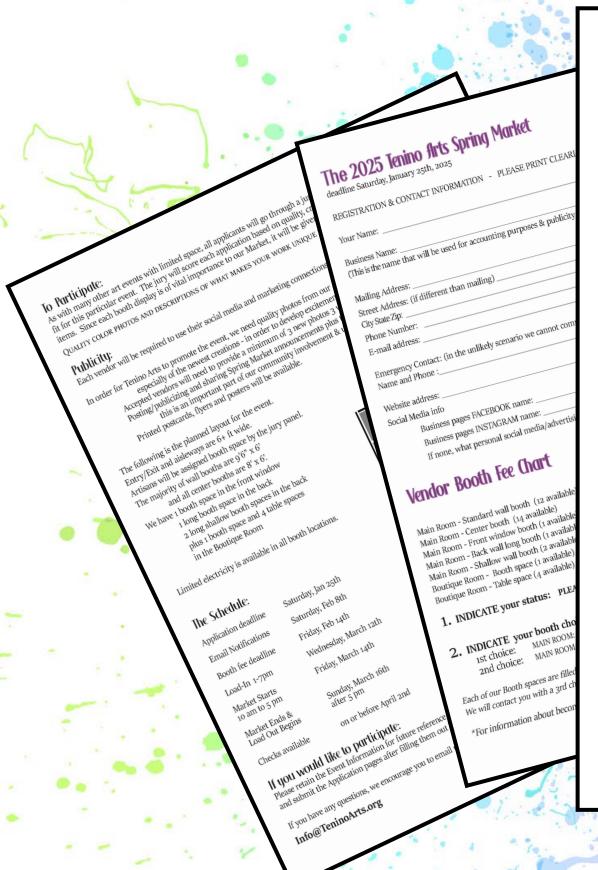
Book the Venue

Call to Artists

Applications

Jury Selections

Notifications



2025 Artisan Application for March 14th-16th

Who we are looking for:

LOCAL CREATIVE PEOPLE with well-crafted & unique handmade creations.

And ATTRACTIVE BOOTH DISPLAYS are a must.

All artwork/designs must be original to the artisan - That means no purchased patterns or copied designs permitted. We are looking for originality!

If you are a skilled hand-crafter and interested in participating, please read through the following information prior to filling out and submitting your application.

The Spring Market is designed to emphasize the newness of the season - fresh ideas, a novel approach, offering the unexpected and/or the inspiration of springtime. We want our shoppers to be talking about your creations... after they buy them, of course! And since our Market is indoors, we can be one of the very first shows of the season.

Every Art Festival, Market, and Show has it's own flavor and ours is no exception. We are known for being community oriented, hosting some exceptional local artisan events and creating an eye-catching environment for customers to visit & shop from. The organizers, artisans and volunteers all work together to make it a success. This event is being co-sponsored by Tenino Arts and The Tenino Area Chamber of Commerce -both are non-profits dedicated to our local community including our local creative people.

How this works:

Our Spring Market is a 3 day event - Friday, March 14th, Saturday, March 15th and Sunday, March 16th in The Kodiak Room event center. The location is in historic downtown Tenino at 225 Sussex Avenue West. Hours: 10am to 5pm each day.

The Spring Market operates as a "store front" or "gallery co-op" style with all sales handled at Cashier Stations. Checks and statements will be available to each vendor within 2 weeks after closing. A 10% fee based on the gross sales collected will be deducted and go to the co-sponsors to cover event expenses and to help with local community projects.

•All prices must be in whole-dollar amounts in order that coin change will not be required at the Cashier Stations.
•Every item for sale must have a legible & removable price tag for accounting purposes. Tag details will be explained to artisans who have been accepted.

•Vendors will price their items to include the appropriate tax. Those taxes are to be remitted to local and state authorities by each vendor.

•Vendors will need to have enough stock on hand to prevent displays from appearing empty from Friday through Sunday morning. The venue will be open to vendors early and late each day to allow for booths to be restocked and refreshed.

•Each accepted vendor will be required to serve three 3hr shifts during the course of the event. Some tasks include prepping for the Market prior to opening. Some shifts will take place after the show. The majority of the shifts are during the event - assisting with hospitality, merchandise, bagging items sold, security and housekeeping. Shift signups begin once the booth paperwork is finalized.

•To allow room for more guests, participating artisans will not be in attendance except for their assigned shifts, to restock and of course, to shop. Our many returning artisans have discovered that quality items in a well thoughtout display allows their creations to sell themselves allowing for a more creative opportunities & personal freedom. And our customers have vocalized their appreciation of paying in one location in addition to feeling less pressure with each particular artwork creator not in the same space as they shop.



Marketing the Event

Social Media

Community Event Calendars

Newsletters

Press Releases

Posters and Flyers



Networking

Making connections

Building Reputation

Quality

Style

Consistency



Thanks to our partners

STEDI, Experience Olympia and Beyond,

Thurston County EDC, City of Tenino,

Tenino Creative District, A.R.C.H. Commission,

Fmr. Mayor Wayne Fournier,

Tenino Chamber of Commerce





