# Frequently Asked Questions about the Flathead Lake Festival of Art 2020

***When is the Festival?***

Saturday, July 25, 10am to 5pm

Sunday, July 26, 10am to 4pm.

***Where is the Festival?***

On the edge of the bay at Sacajawea Park, three blocks from downtown Polson. Sacajawea Park is a scenic location, highly visible from Highway 93, with direct views of the Mission Mountains across the bay.

***Why should artists consider doing this show?***

Flathead Lake Festival of Art is the last weekend in July, to benefit from higher tourist visitation to the Flathead valley and lake area.

***What kinds of art & craft can be in the Festival?***

Flathead Lake Festival of Art emphasizes quality fine art and fine craft from Montana and the northwest. Although there are a few cross-over artists from the Sandpiper's one-day festival in August and this two-day festival, FLFA draws a greater number of fine artists and artisans and is more stringently juried. Categories include painting, drawing, jewelry, clay, glass, sculpture, photography, wood, leather, fiber, basketry, and mixed media.

All work must be attributed solely to the displaying artist. For two-dimensional artists, reproductions and giclee's are allowed, but must not comprise more than 40% of the hanging work.

***How do artists & artisans apply to be an exhibitor?***

Applications are available four ways: as a download from the website at Sandpiperartgallery.com, in person at the Sandpiper Art Gallery at 306 Main Street in Polson, have an application mailed to you by calling the gallery at 883-5956, or emailing us at festivals.sandpiperartgallery@gmail.com

Mail in the completed application, along with a CD of JPG images (3 of work, 1 of booth) and check for application fee. Instead of a CD of images of your work, you may also send them via email. Save your digital photos as JPG files and send to: festivals.sandpiperartgallery@gmail.com Please include your name and the show designation "FLFA" as the subject. You will still need to mail your application and application fee by application deadlines.

***What is the fee?***

The non-refundable application fee is $25. Booth fee per space: 10x10 $175 10x15 $250 10x20 $325.

The non-refundable application fee of $25 is for a maximum of two categories. Submission of art in more than two categories is permissible, but an additional CD and $25 application fee must be completed for additional categories. There is no additional booth fee for multiple categories.

***What is the deadline to apply by?***

Completed applications must be postmarked by April 15, 2020. Applications will be juried by a panel of Festival committee members, and the results will be emailed the first week of May, 2020.

***Can exhibitors share booths?***

Only artists who collaborate on the displayed work may share a booth. Both artists must be listed on the application.

***What kind of booth do I need?***

Basic booth spaces are 10 feet by 10 feet. Sturdy canopy tents ("Lightdome", "Trimline" or similar) are strongly recommended; weights are required on all four legs (minimum 40 lb per leg), as rain and gusty wind are always possible. No stakes are allowed in the park. If you use a display table, it must have a covering that hangs to the ground. Your booth must be safe for the public and Sandpiper Gallery assumes no liability if it is not.

***When is set up and tear down?***

You may set up your booth on Friday from 4-8pm and Saturday from 6am to 9am. Festival staff will be on hand each day to give you your Festival packet and help you locate your space. Vehicles are not allowed in the park, however Sandpiper Gallery will have a dedicated vehicle to assist in transporting displays and inventory to a location near your booth space. There will be overnight security both Friday and Saturday, however each artist exhibits at his or her own risk. Sandpiper Gallery is not responsible for damage, theft, or loss from any cause.

Parking zones for unloading and loading will be clearly marked and will be staffed by volunteers. Festival packets will include parking instructions.

Tear down will be at 4pm on Sunday. Exhibitors are expected to stay through 4pm and not begin taking down their booths before that time.

***What if I need a break during the Festival?***

For short bathroom breaks or to fetch food, Sandpiper Gallery volunteers are available. Again, as last year, we will have lunches for sale from a local restaurant; our volunteers will take your order and deliver lunch to your booth.

***Additional Questions????***

Contact Festival Chairpersons, Sue Arneson 406-253-8771 or Carole Carberry 803-968-4678, or e-mail your questions to festivals.sandpiperartgallery@gmail.com .