

# The City of Slidell

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Dear Artist,

Arts Evening is back! It's been a long three years, but the City of Slidell is excited to once again celebrate the 26th Anniversary of Arts Evening, one of St. Tammany's largest cultural festivals, on Saturday, March 19, 2022, from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. If you've participated in Arts Evening before, you're aware that these events bring crowds of up to 5,000 to Olde Towne for shopping, live entertainment, and dining. If you're new to Olde Towne, you won't want to miss out on the fun!

Here's some more information about this year's event:

- During *Arts Evening*, the City of Slidell will host George Dunbar: A Retrospective at the Slidell Cultural Center at City Hall. We anticipate that this exhibit will draw more art lovers to Olde Towne, a benefit to all the participating artists and businesses.
- In the event of inclement weather, *Arts Evening* will be rescheduled for a future date. Any cancellation decisions will be made by Thursday, March 17, so that businesses will have adequate time to make scheduling adjustments for staff, food or catering changes, and that artists and entertainers have enough time to make alternate plans.
- We are looking for original works of art to feature in the *Arts Evening* digital brochure and in event publicity. The deadline for submissions is Monday, March 7, 2022.

Please see the enclosed information and return your registration form to us no later than Monday, March 7, 2022. If you have any questions, please call the Department of Cultural & Public Affairs at (985) 646-4375.

Regards,

Alex Carollo

Director of Cultural & Public Affairs

## Arts Evening 2022 Overview

Monday, March 7, 2022 Final deadline for artist registration and deadline to submit photos of

artwork for consideration for use in Arts Evening publicity

Wednesday, March 9, 2022 Artists will be notified of their placements for Arts Evening

Monday, March 14, 2022 Final date for Artists to contact their Host Business, to discuss display

needs and make necessary arrangements

Saturday, March 19, 2022 Arts Evening

#### 1. **EVENT DATE**

Arts Evening 2022 will be held on Saturday, March 19, from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.

#### 2. RAIN DATE

In the event of inclement weather, *Arts Evening* will be rescheduled for a future date. Because Louisiana weather can be so unpredictable, we will wait as long as possible to make this judgment call, but any cancellation decisions will be made by Thursday, March 17, so that businesses will have adequate time to make scheduling adjustments for staff, food or catering changes, and that artists and entertainers have enough time to make alternate plans.

#### 3. ARTIST NOTIFICATIONS AND OBLIGATIONS

Artists will receive notifications of the location at which they have been placed by Wednesday, March 9. Upon receipt, please review your information carefully and contact your host location no later than Monday, March 14. During the process of matching artists with locations, several factors are taken into consideration, including the request of a business to host one or more specific artists, the amount of work the artist wishes to display, the amount of display space available at the host location, and the style of other artists also displaying at this location. If an artist requests a specific business/host location, and that business also requests that specific artist, that combination is guaranteed. For all other requests, we make every effort to accommodate artists and businesses, but do not guarantee such.

IMPORTANT: Artists who register for *Arts Evening* but do not honor their commitment will be excluded from participating as artists in future City of Slidell exhibits and events.

### 4. POLICY REGARDING REFRESHMENTS

In the past, many Artists and/or Host Businesses have provided refreshments during *Arts Evening*. While this generosity is appreciated, it has an adverse effect on the restaurants that participate in the event. As such, we suggest that if you decide to serve refreshments, please limit it to something light and simple, like a cheese tray or desserts.

Thank you for helping make Arts Evening one of Slidell's most anticipated cultural events every year!

### Arts Evening 2022 Artist Registration Form

The City of Slidell is pleased to announce the 26th annual *Arts Evening*, a night devoted to the fine and performing arts. On Saturday, March 19, from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m., artists from across the region will display their work in businesses throughout Olde Towne Slidell as we welcome thousands of visitors to the area. We invite your participation.

If you would like to exhibit this year, please fill out this registration form email it to Alex Carollo at <a href="mailto:acarollo@cityofslidell.org">acarollo@cityofslidell.org</a> no later than Monday, March 7, 2022. The Committee will then begin the process of placing artists with host spaces as available. We are also encouraging artists to provide demonstrations. If you are interested in doing so, please indicate by checking the appropriate box below.

Any high-resolution digital photos for consideration for use in publicity should be emailed to <a href="mailto:acarollo@cityofslidell.org">acarollo@cityofslidell.org</a> by Wednesday, March 7, 2022. In submitting works, you are consenting for their use in any publicity related to *Arts Evening*. Your name and title of the artwork should be indicated in the file name of each photo.

There is no charge for artists to display within participating Olde Towne businesses. We hope that you take this opportunity to promote your work in *Arts Evening* 2022!

Date

Artist signature