

Native Women's Association of Canada

Annual General Assembly Trade Show 2009

CALL FOR ARTISTS

APPLICATION GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

The Native Women's Association of Canada's Annual General Assembly (AGA) will hold a Trade Show on the evening of Friday, September 25, 2009. The Trade Show is a juried exhibition to promote a high quality event for Aboriginal female artists. The primary basis for acceptance is quality, originality and craftsmanship of the Aboriginal artwork to be sold. No percentage of the artist's sales is retained by the organizer.

Additionally, the jury will be selecting 4 artists from those applicants who are interested in showcasing their works on our AGA invitation and publications. The selected artists will also be provided space featuring and selling their artworks throughout the duration of the conference (September 26 & 27, 2009).

Please indicate your interest in participating in either or both the Trade Show and showcase on the application form.

Applications must be RECEIVED by **July 24, 2009**. Applications received by the deadline will be reviewed.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY BEFORE APPLYING:

CRITERIA FOR ACCEPTANCE

- Applicants will be juried relative to the integrity, originality, level of craftsmanship and artistic merit of the art represented in their images. All jury decisions are final.
- Mass-produced goods of any kind will NOT be accepted (this includes cards, imported bags, clothing, soap & bath products and jewellery). No work produced or sourced by commercial means, nor work represented by dealers or agents will be allowed.
- All artwork submitted must be original (no prints), with the following exceptions:
 - Printmakers can exhibit signed limited editions of hand-pulled prints.
 - Photographers can exhibit signed limited editions of non-commercially developed prints.
- All artwork MUST be created and handcrafted by the accepted applicant in Canada. Only work produced by you or under your direct supervision will be considered.

ALL APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

1. Application Form – Please remember to sign and date your form. Applications will not be considered if the form is not completed.

2. Support Materials - Five high-quality images (jpeg files at a resolution of 300 dpi and a maximum of 1024 x 768 pixels) that are representative of your work. The photos should be close-up of individual pieces. Do not submit more than five images as only the first five will be considered. If you are submitting your photos on a CD, please clearly label CD with your NAME, EMAIL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER.
3. Profile/Biography/Background – A max. two-page CV detailing your background, your design training and show experience, describing what inspired you to create, how long you have been creating, the production process, the number of employees you have and their roles in your business (if applicable), and your product price range, and other information that may be taken into consideration for the final selection.
4. Declaration of Aboriginal descent
5. Self-addressed Stamped Envelope – For those who are sending in the support materials on CD, it will be returned ONLY if a returning envelope is included in your submission package.

METHODS OF SUBMISSION

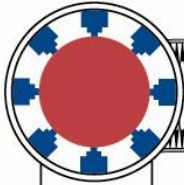
Applications can be submitted by the following methods:

1. E-mail – Please send to Vema Ho at vho@nwac-hq.org with subject titled to “AGA artwork submission.”
2. Regular mail or Courier service of your choice – please indicate “AGA artwork submission” on the envelope and send to the following address:

**Native Women’s Association of Canada
Satellite Office
1292 Wellington St. W.,
Ottawa, ON K1Y 3A9**

Fax is not recommended.

All submission packages are sent at your own expense.



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Application Form

* Please detach and send this form with your supporting documents & materials to us.

Name _____ Company Name (optional) _____

Mailing Address _____ City/Province _____ Postal Code _____

Telephone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____ (Fax) _____

Email _____ Website _____

I would like to apply for: Trade Show Showcase

Products to be sold (Please be specific, attach additional sheet if necessary.)

How many people work in or for your company? (if applicable)

Full time [] Part time []

Signature _____ Date _____