

Invitation to Wildlife and Nature Related Artists

Fort Worden State Park Conference Center will be hosting the Fourth Annual Wildlife and Nature Art Exposition beginning Friday, October 3rd, Saturday October 4th and Sunday, October 5th, 2008. This year we will be highlighting the **FISHER** as part of an awareness of reintroduction program by National Parks Service in the Olympic National Park, part of the Olympic Peninsula where we are hosting the event.

In order to participate in this annual event, we require that you have expertise and are an established painter, carver, sculptor or photographer. If you wish to participate, there is an application. Those who wish to participate must submit the enclosed application, 8-10 images either on a CD, photographs or via email to **Kate.Burke@parks.wa.gov** the work that you will be displaying and \$100 for the booth fee. Upon a jury review and approval, those selected artists will receive a confirmation packet with your booth space reserved. Submittal of the application does not guarantee space in the exposition. Your booth fee will be returned if your work is not accepted. Applications submitted without the booth fee will not be considered.

Artists who submit before June 1st and are accepted will be used in national advertising of the event. Space is limited. Applications will be reviewed until space is full.

Artists who are notified of acceptance must be prepared to set up artwork on Thursday, October 2th from 8 am to 5 pm or Friday October 3rd before 3 pm. All work must be removed by 11 am Monday, October 6th. You are obligated to stay set up until the end of the show on Sunday, October 5th. There is no breakdown of booths prior to 6 pm. The exposition times will be 5 – 8 pm opening reception Friday, October 3rd, 10 am to 7 pm Saturday October 4th and 10 am to 5 pm on Sunday October 5th.

Artists interested in displaying artwork through the month of September in our Commons building, should contact **Kate.Burke@parks.wa.gov** by June 1st, 2008. Work that is ready to display must be received by August 27th.

General Artist Information

- Artists featuring fishers need to provide images in a format that may be used in promotional materials by June 1, 2008.
- You will be provided with sale invoices. Invoices are to be brought to the sales desk where all transactions will be processed. There will be staff provided to conduct all sales. We will provide credit card processing.
- The Friends of Fort Worden will retain a commission from the sale of all artwork, which you will find listed under each medium.
- Artists may only exhibit in the category for which written notification of acceptance has been received. All artwork is exhibited at the discretion of Fort Worden State Park Conference Center, which reserves the right to remove artwork deemed inappropriate.
- All unsold artwork must remain on display through the close of the show.
- All artists agree to pay the appropriate show commission to the Friends of Fort Worden for any sale made as a result of contact made at the event. This includes commissioned and special order artwork.
- Booth sizes are approximately 8x8 ft and we will provide tables and chairs.

- You may bring your own booth set up that is approximately 8 x 10 ft. Please indicate that on your application.

Painter Information

- Painters will be provided pegboards or gridwalls and hooks for hanging artwork, and are assigned spaces based on the amount of artwork that they will bring.
- Please bring your own specific lighting.
- Arrangements must be made in advance for artwork that will not fit in this size format.
- Friends of Fort Worden retain the following commission from the sale of artwork:
 - 15% on originals - 25% for prints

Carver & Sculptor Information

- Carvers and sculptors are provided a 6 or 5 foot table and are encouraged to bring their own pedestals, displays and lights. We can provide a limited amount of 5 or 6 foot tables.
- The commission retained from the sale of carvings and sculpture will be THE SAME AS FOR PAINTERS = 15% originals, 25% for reproductions

Photographer Information

- Photographers will be provided pegboards or gridwalls and hooks for hanging photos, and are assigned spaces based on the amount of artwork that they will bring. Please bring your own specific lighting.
- The commission retained from the sale of photographs will be 25%.

Housing and Accommodations

Fort Worden State Park Conference Center has a limited amount of housing on site for artists. Those interested in housing will be contacted for a deposit on the preferred accommodation. Standard cancellation policies apply.