53rd Annual Arts & Crafts Fair to benefit the Shelton Jaycees P.O. Box 2334 Shelton, Connecticut 06484



Dear Exhibitor:

On behalf of the Shelton Jaycees alumni group, the Geese & Bear club, we're excited to invite you to our *53rd Annual Arts & Crafts Fair on Sunday, June 4th 2017*. This year's rain date is on June 11th.

Always on the Huntington Green, this all-volunteer run event has grown into an established community tradition, kicking off the summer season in Fairfield County.

We'll have over 100 corrugated plastic campaign style signs up all around the town. Print promotion in all of the area newspapers, as well as radio and community event listings. Digital ads and on-line web promotion will also include our dedicated Arts and Crafts Fair page on our main website in addition to our Arts & Crafts Fair facebook page.

We're serious about diversity being the hallmark of our fair and we limit the number of exhibitors in each craft category to 3. Our fair is a juried event and cash prizes are awarded. Items must be your own hand crafted pieces or original fine artwork pieces.

Please complete our application and return it to us along with a description of your work and some photographs. We need to see your work, your work in progress and your work space. If you have exhibited with us before, you won't need to enclose the photographs.

Our best source of new participants has always been word of mouth referrals. We feel our tradition of having a high quality diverse group of exhibitors is so important we're offering exhibitors a \$5 registration rebate if they refer a new non-jewelry exhibitor. Why must it be a new non-jewelry exhibitor, you ask? The answer is because we routinely have to deny dozens of jewelry exhibitors each year. Our jewelry categories fill up early! If the "New" (non-jewelry) exhibitor referral is accepted, and is either brand new to our fair or has not attended our fair in over three years, both the original exhibitor and the new referral will each receive a \$5 registration rebate on the morning of the event!

When referring a new exhibitor you can either make them a photocopy of our application, or send them to www.sheltonjaycees.org where he or she can download an application of their own. You can also just have them give us a phone call and we'll be more than happy to send them a paper application through the mail. Then each of you just needs to fill out the referral section on the bottom of the application. (Of course you can refer as many exhibitors as you'd like, but only one referral rebate can be issued.)

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This year we're offering our Arts & Crafts Exhibitors an "Early Bird Rate" of \$59 when your application is postmarked by April 15th, 2017.



To qualify for the regular pre-registered price of \$74, your application must be postmarked no later than May 27th, 2017. All Food Vendors must pre-register by May 27th and the fee remains constant at \$79. Sending your application in early will help ensure your acceptance.

Please include your check or money order with your application.

Any photos we receive will be returned to you within 10 days along with a confirmation letter. Even if you are not able to participate in 2017, please complete the application and return it to us so we can keep you on our mailing list.

Please send your application to: 53rd Annual Arts and Crafts Fair

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The application together with some additional details are attached. If you have any questions, just give either of us a call before 9 pm. If you can't reach us right away, you can also call our exhibitor coordinator, Jim Nissen, at (203) 521-2498.

We're looking forward to another beautiful and profitable day for everyone!

Sincerely,

Kate Jager & Wendy Holden

2017 Arts & Crafts Fair Event Co-Chairs Kate Jager (203) 623-6698 Wendy Holden (203) 913-3147

E-mail: artsandcraftsfair@sheltonjaycees.org



Share our event on-line at www.sheltonjaycees.org/annual-arts-crafts-fair/ or www.facebook.com/SheltonJayceesAnnualArtsandCraftsFair



2017 Arts & Crafts Fair Application

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Directions to the Huntington Green

From Route 8 South Bound

Get off exit 14.

End of ramp, take left onto Howe Ave. (Route 110)

Take first Right onto Kneen St.

Next light take right onto Coram Ave.

Follow Coram Ave. to end. (Plumb Library)

Take left at stop Sign

Follow Route 108, go 3.2 miles to Huntington Center. The Huntington Green will be on your left.

From Route 8 North Bound

Get off exit 11.

End of ramp, take left.

Go straight. (Huntington Rd. becomes Huntington St.) 3.2 miles.

At Huntington Center, road will divide by a fire house.

After the fire house, stay in the left lane and the Huntington Green will be on your left.

If you prefer to use mapquest.com, googlemaps or a GPS device, look up the intersection of Huntington Street & Shelton Avenue, Shelton CT 06484.

Other information:

First Prize for Arts is \$100. First Prize for Crafts is \$75.

Once again we will have additional volunteers available to help exhibitors set up and take down, deliver lunch orders, and watch booths during bathroom breaks. We will have FREE coffee & FREE pastries available beginning at 8:00am! Exhibitors are entitled to two free cups of coffee and two free pastries per space. If you have any special needs please call us as soon as possible so we can help you with them. Call Wendy Holden at (203) 913-3147, Kate Jager at 203-623-6698 or Jim Nissen at 203-521-2498 any time before 9pm.

Volunteers will arrive at the fair starting at 7:00 am. The registration check in will be at the gazebo starting at 7:15 am. The fair runs from 10 am - 4 pm. **Do NOT arrive or start to set up before 7:00 am.** The Shelton Police are pretty sensitive about this!

Spaces are 12' x 12' square and are first come - first serve. We set the Green up in a 'race track' oval. Every space gets the same traffic. The food area & kid's craft areas will be marked off ahead of time. Please don't set up there. You will be required to move.

The town will not permit any cars on the green itself but you may park along side the Green to unload. After unloading, you are required to immediately remove your vehicle from the perimeter of the green. Parking is available in the Shopping Plaza behind the Common Bond supermarket.

53rd Annual Arts & Crafts Fair on the Huntington Green ~ Sunday June 4th, 2017. ~ (Rain date June 11th)