RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR EXHIBITORS

The Spring Art Escape is a juried art tour that celebrates artists from the Chemainus, Ladysmith & District area. The tour dates are April 10 & 11, 2027 from 10 AM – 5 PM each day. Artists are required to apply for participation and will be contacted by the Outreach Committee on the results of their application after jurying. There is a limited number of spaces. Before you apply, please read below the following rules and regulations for exhibitors. All participating artists must follow the guidelines listed herein.

General Information

- All participants must be a current member of the Arts Council of Ladysmith and in good standing
- There is limited space available to be a part of this tour and participation will be determined by a jury committee, all artists will be juried, no exceptions.
- Participating artists must be available to the public during the entire tour 10 AM – 5 PM both days, April 10 & 11.
- Artists will be juried on the quality of work, studio accessibility, and layout of studio space.
- Participants must be within the Chemainus, Ladysmith and District boundaries
- Participants must provide a safe environment for visitors including: clean and clear sidewalks, secure handrails, scent-free spaces and that any pets are securely put away during the tour. If possible, wheelchair accessible.
- Special consideration will be given to participants who will be providing demo’s during the event.
- Participants must have a studio or workspace to exhibit in or may share studio space with other artists. The Arts Council of

Ladysmith will offer 3 small table spaces at $50 each at the Ladysmith Gallery - to apply see the application form below.

Fees and Forms

- All fees and application requirements are set by the Board of Directors and reviewed annually.
- Tour fees must be paid within 5 days after receiving acceptance into the tour – unpaid fees may result in the participant being removed from the tour. Invoices will be sent for tour fee payment. Payments must be made **no later than January 26, 2027**
- All participants juried in must have a current membership with the Arts Council of Ladysmith. See memberships below:

  Purchase a membership here:
  https://ladysmitharts.ca/get-involved/

If you are an arts group, collective, council, you must make sure each individual has an ACLD membership or you must purchase a group membership ($125) to cover all participants

- All applicants must complete an indemnification form on the website.

Tour Participation Fees:

Solo Artists or group up to maximum 3 people: $150

Groups with 4 – 10 artists: $175

Groups with over 10 artists: $250

3 small tables spaces at Ladysmith Gallery for individual artists: $50 each

- Submissions open November 16, 2026 - January 11, 2027
- Cancellations after January 26, 2027 will receive no refund
- Cancellations before January 26, 2027 will only be refunded if participant has a medical or family emergency, and will minus a $50 administration fee
- The application form deadline is January 11, 2027
- Insurance: Participants are required to check the terms of their insurance policy to ensure coverage for the tour, failure to do so will result in the participating artist(s) being liable for any injuries etc. that visitors may sustain.
- An indemnification form must be signed by January 26, 2027. Failure to complete the form by that date may result in the participant being removed from the tour.

Advertising and Marketing

- Please make sure all photos that you submit in your application are high quality, with good lighting, free from clutter and distracting backgrounds, clear and not blurry.
    - The application requires 1 horizontal photo and 1 vertical photo of the artwork
    - 2 very short sentences describing your art for the brochure. We reserve the right to edit if it is too long.
    - This information must be sent to kathy@ladysmitharts.ca
- The Arts Council of Ladysmith and District will provide advertising to local and tourism listings, posters, a color brochure with map, inclusion on our website (featuring all participants) as well as creating directional signage.
- Each artist is required to promote their space. Artists will be required to hand out posters and brochures prior to the event and to share onto digital platforms such as Facebook, Instagram, Email, Newsletters, and group pages on social media. The outreach committee will be in touch to provide artists with information.

- Artists are required to pick up signage prior to the event to place around their location. Artists will also be required to sign out the signs, failure to return the signs after the event will be charged $50/per sign.
- Participants agree to allow the ACLD, it's volunteers, staff and representatives to photograph the event and use these materials for ACLD promotional, marketing, archival or fundraising purposes.

Important Dates

- Submissions open: November 16, 2026 - January 11, 2027
- Notifications of acceptance: January 18, 2027
- Indemnification Form Due: January 26, 2027
- Tour Participation Fee Due: No later than January 26, 2027
- Dates of Tour: April 10 & 11, 10 AM – 5 PM