

Membership Guidelines

Hera Educational Foundation and Hera Gallery

The work of Hera Educational Foundation is carried out by Hera Gallery, a professional artists' cooperative committed to exhibiting the work of established and emerging artists and to encouraging ethnic and cultural diversity in both audience and program development. A paid part-time administrator is responsible for day-to-day operations of the gallery. Membership is open to professional visual artists working in any media. Presently we have full and associate members who come from Rhode Island, New England, as well as nationally.

There are two categories of artist membership: Full and Associate membership. The benefits and responsibilities of each category are outlined below.

Full Membership

Benefits: Solo exhibition once a year or as calendar allows; participation in one or more group exhibitions per year.

Members have the opportunity to curate an exhibition or organize lectures, films, or performances and may submit a proposal for consideration by the Exhibition Committee.

Dues: \$40.00 per month plus expenses associated with the exhibition, such as printing and mailing of announcements, preparation and installation work, and opening reception costs.

Duties: Members are responsible for gallery sitting on Saturdays for one three-hour period on a rotating basis. Schedules can be arranged and paid substitutes are available. Rotation depends on the number of members. Currently members sit approximately four times a year.

Associate Membership

Benefits: Participation in one four to six person group show a year; participation in one large group exhibition.

An associate member may submit a curatorial proposal for consideration by the Exhibition Committee.

Dues: \$15.00 per month plus exhibition expenses which are shared by the number of artists in the show.

Duties: Members are responsible for gallery sitting on Saturdays for one three-hour period on a rotating basis (see above).

Artist members are expected to make a one-year commitment of payment of dues for the year beginning on the date they become members, renewable annually. If at any time an artist becomes four months behind in dues, s/he will be considered a member on inactive status and will be unable to participate in shows organized by the gallery.

Hera Educational Foundation shall not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, creed, national origin, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, age, or different physical ability.

Serving on the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of Hera Educational Foundation consists of artist members and members of the community. To the extent possible artist members are encouraged to serve on the Board of Directors. ***Artist members who serve on the Board of Directors will receive a fifty percent (50%) reduction in dues.*** Please request more information about the responsibilities of the Board of Directors if you are interested in this option.

Application Procedure

1. Please submit a completed application form, resume, 20 fully labeled slides, corresponding slide list, and statement about your work. Please indicate if you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors.
2. Please include a SASE for return of slides.
3. Acceptance for artist membership is based on the quality of an applicant's work. An application must be approved by two-thirds of the artist members present at the selection committee meeting.
4. Applications will be reviewed quarterly or more often if circumstances require.

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