

Arlington Artists Alliance
By-Laws

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Article I - Name

The name of the organization is The Arlington Artists Alliance.

Article II - Purpose

The purposes of the Alliance are to:

- a. Provide exhibit space for and otherwise promote the art works of visual artists of Arlington, Virginia.
- b. Encourage contact and communication among the visual artists of Arlington.
- c. Provide the public of Arlington County free access to the visual art works of Arlington's artistic community.
- d. Provide work space for and otherwise promote the teaching of and the appreciation of art in Arlington County.

Article III - Membership

The organization is to have the following classes of members:

- a. Active members must have a studio in or be residents of Arlington County who are producing art work consisting of paintings, sculptures, ceramics or other types of visual arts deemed suitable by the members. Active members in good standing have the right to attend meetings and vote on Alliance issues. Individuals who are not residents of Arlington County, but who were received into the organization before the residency requirement was fixed, enjoy the full rights of active membership.
- b. Supporting members are any other people wishing to support the activities of the Arlington Artists' Alliance. Supporting members have the right to attend meetings, but may not vote on Alliance issues.

No person shall be denied admission to the Arlington Artists Alliance on the basis of race, sex or ethnic origin.

Article IV - Governance

Section 1.

The following shall be elected officers of the Executive Board:

President (or two Co-Presidents) – manage affairs of the Association

Vice President – manage affairs of the Association

Secretary - Take and publish minutes of meetings

Treasurer - keep financial records, write checks, manage Alliance finances

In addition to the above, there may be up to seven (7) at-large Board members, bringing the total to thirteen (13).

Section 2.

The Director of the Academy is an ex-officio Board member.

Article V - Election of Officers

Section 1.

Election of officers and other board members shall be held once every two years at the annual members' meeting.

- a. The President (or Co-Presidents) and Vice President shall preside over the business of the organization and shall chair the meetings of the executive board and the membership meetings.
- b. The President (or Co-Presidents) and Vice President may sign checks when necessary
- c. The Finance Committee shall prepare the annual budget for final approval by the Executive Board.
- d. The Executive board may call special meetings when necessary.
- e. The Executive Board may propose and the membership may approve additional elected offices if they are needed.
- f. The Executive Board may form committees as necessary and name people to chair them.

Section 2.

The Nominating Committee shall consist of two at-large Board members who are not Officers and one active member selected by the membership at a March/April meeting preceding the annual meeting. Nominations and elections shall be held at an annual meeting held in the May/June time frame.

Section 3.

A vacancy on the Board shall be filled by appointment by the Board.

Article VI - Meetings

1. Board Meetings and Membership Meetings shall be called by the President as necessary. Members shall be notified of meetings by e-mail or other practical means. There shall be at least three Executive Board meetings a year and at least one annual meeting. During election years, there also shall be a meeting preceding the annual meeting to form a nominating committee.
2. At a membership meeting a quorum shall consist of twenty-five percent of the active members.

Article VII - Amendments to the By-laws

The Articles of these by-laws may be amended or repealed, providing they are presented to the membership in writing in advance. The by-laws may be amended at an annual meeting by a majority of members.