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— OF WHATCOM COUNTY —

WHATCOMCULTURALARTSFESTIVAL

Application for:
Art, Performance, Food and Activities throughout Fairhaven.

Application for booths, workshop facilitators, speakers, and performers

Application Due: Friday, February 9th by 5pm
******All dates and protocols pending the most up to date COVID-19 information******

No Jury Fees! Allied Arts of Whatcom County is excited to be partnering with Historic Fairhaven Association, Humanities Washington, Bellingham/ Whatcom Tourism Bureau and others for the first annual festival entirely dedicated to the diverse cultures that make Whatcom County so unique. The event is a multimedia exploration of our cultural backgrounds and creative community.

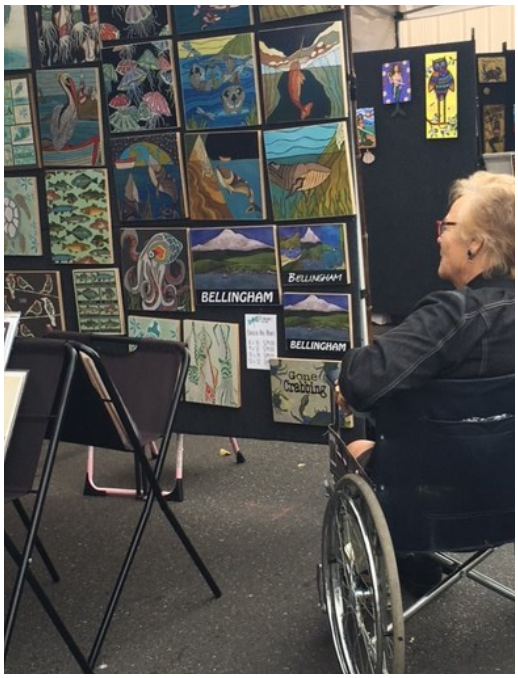
Whatcom region boasts close proximity to the large international cities of Seattle and Vancouver, BC and an unparalleled quality of life. With that springs a unique culture and creative community shaped by diverse backgrounds, traditions and influences.

Representation by as many cultures as possible is a goal! Participants are asked to create artwork, performances or food that is inspired by their cultural training and background. Participants of all skill levels working in all mediums are encouraged to apply. We will also work with the Fairhaven businesses to develop a roster of activities throughout Historic Fairhaven featuring different cultural activities throughout the weekend.

We encourage applicants to become members of nonprofits like these that support the arts and culture in our community. Allied Arts Membership is not required to apply for participation in Whatcom Cultural Festival, but it is greatly appreciated. To become a member go to www.alliedarts.org/store.

The following are descriptions and expectations for each type of opportunity within the festival. If you have any questions please email kelly@alliedarts.org

A. Bellingham Cruise Terminal -Artists, Food Vendors, and Business and Non-Profit Tables/ Booths



1. Artist booths to sell their wares are available in a 6' x 6' format. Applicants must attach a long (25 word) description of the work they will be selling and what the items are made of to be used in publicity. Applicants must also provide at least 4 images (digital on a CD or printed hardcopy) of their work to be reviewed by a jury committee. Fee $100

2. Food Vendors spaces to sell food are available in a 6' x 6' format. Applicants must attach a long (25 word) description of the work they will be selling to be used in publicity. Applicants must also provide at least 4 images (digital on a CD or printed hardcopy) to be reviewed by a jury committee. Must have proper food handing licenses, etc. Fee $125

3. Non-Profit info only/ displays (6' x 6') are available as a part of the activities. Local nonprofits working in the arts, recreation and environmental fields can distribute information and sell their wares. Fee $50

B. Bellingham Cruise Terminal and Sidewalk Performances

Live performances will be held throughout the weekend. We are looking for music and performing arts that fit the Cultural Arts theme, for example but not limited to a musical theater performance or a musical performances representing our cultural diversity.

Please attach a description of your proposed performance. You may also send us a audio/video recording of your performance. Include any facility requirements in your description. Performance locations are TBD and the information you provide will help us select the best venue. Please be aware that this a rain or shine event. Sound Technician/ Equipment will be provided by Groove Merchant. Compensation will be available for select performances based on funding.

C. Workshops and Presentations

The role of speakers and workshops at the Cultural Arts Festival are to communicate the importance of cultural identity and diversity, the rich quality of life and arts and crafts that focus on the uniqueness of our region and explores the connection between our cultural backgrounds. Speakers can include artists, cultural arts experts, diversity activists, etc. Workshops can teach anything from "how to take photos of artwork," to kids piñata sculptures, to mask making and more! Workshop facilitators must provide all of their own art materials. Workshop holders may charge a fee for their class, with a small commission taken by the Cultural Festival partnership.

Please attach a description of your workshop/presentation idea to this application. Please limit the description to 1/4 page and include photos to help give the jury a better understanding of what you will be presenting or teaching. The locations of these activities are TBD and the information you provide will help us select the most suitable venue in Fairhaven.

D. Fairhaven Businesses

Fairhaven Businesses are encouraged to participate in the Whatcom Cultural Festival either by coordinating their own activity/ exhibit that we can help promote through the festival advertising or we can assist you in pairing up an artist or performer appropriate for your venue. Please fill out the attached form and indicate space available and any other specifics. $25 suggested donation for businesses to help assist some of the artist's expenses. There are also opportunities to contribute as an advertising sponsor or become a business member of Allied Arts.

Application Form for Whatcom Cultural Arts Festival

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Name: _____ **Business Name:** _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Website: _____

Please drop off your application at:
1418 Cornwall Ave. Downtown Bellingham,

Or mail to:
Allied Arts of Whatcom County
Attn: Cultural Arts Festival 2023
PO Box 2584
Bellingham, WA 98227

Applicant type (please check all that apply)

☐ A. Artist, Food, Business or Non-profit Table

☐ B. Performance

☐ C. Workshop / Presentation

☐ D. I am a Fairhaven Business and want to be involved

To be considered your application must include:

□ This completed and signed application form

□ All submission materials

1. a minimum of 3 images (if applicable) and/or audio/video aid

2. an image list or description of your work

3. any special requirements listed on under applicant descriptions on previous pages ie. written descriptions.

4. Businesses: What hours are your open the days of the festival?

□ I agree to follow all Standards and Guidelines as set forth on this form.

□ Yes you may use my images for publicity purposes.

As legal representative of the above named vendor, I agree to defend & hold harmless Allied Arts of Whatcom County & Partners, individually or severally from all liabilities or any injuries, sickness, and/or claims of malfeasance resulting from the making, preparing, selling and/or distributing of my products and/or services to the general public.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____