

GORGE ON ART 2025

A showcase
of local
artists July 1

Guidelines

Gorge on Art showcases local artists and artisans and builds community interest in the arts. It is organized by Saanich Community Services as part of the Gorge Canada Day Picnic, organized by the Gorge Tillicum Community Association (GTCA). The event attracts approximately 10,000 visitors and includes live music and entertainment, food, and a variety of items to purchase.

Event Date and Time: Tuesday July 1, 2025, 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Application Deadline: **May 5, 2025 by 11.59 pm PST**. Late applications may be considered if space permits.

Fee: \$60.00 paid to the Gorge Tillicum Community Association. Instructions provided upon acceptance.

Eligibility: The Gorge on Art market is open to local artists showcasing their original artwork. Most types of visual art are accepted, including painting, drawing, digital art, photography, ceramics, fiber arts and more. At this time theatre, music, performance and literary art are not eligible.

Preference will be given to artists who will be offering a variety of items to look at and purchase within their booths, as well as to those who can offer a demonstration or other interactive element. A variety of sales items and a demonstration help to offer a more dynamic experience for the audience. Consideration will be given to art medium and genres, to ensure a diverse and well-balanced market.

We encourage a diversity of applicants, including but not limited to race, ethnicity, national origin, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, socio-economic status, class and religion.

Supporting Documents:

1. Three to five images of your work in .pdf, .png, .jpg, .jpeg format.
2. An artist biography of no more than 100 words.

Please use the following file naming convention: [lastname]_[image title].png or [lastname]_Bio.pdf. As an example, Smith_HeritageHouse.png or Jakobson_Bio.pdf

How to apply:

1. Review the information provided in these guidelines.
2. Complete the Gorge on Art application form, and compile your supporting documents.
3. Submit all documentation via email to sarah.faria@saanich.ca by the deadline.

Questions? Please contact:

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