

**Art Application for Membership**  
**National League of American Pen Women, Inc.**  
**The Branch Certifies and Approves the Member**



**Art membership** is open to professional visual artists including, but not limited to painters, photographers, sculptor, craftswomen, graphic artists, architects, cartoonists, designers, interior designers, illustrators, photo journalists, and visual technologists.

**Applicant:**

(Please Print Clearly)

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Mobile

Website \_\_\_\_\_

I am applying for **Active** \_\_\_ **Associate** \_\_\_ (Check one)

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I am applying for membership in \_\_\_\_\_ Branch

Or, I am applying for **Membership-at-Large**. \_\_\_\_\_

I am an **International Affiliate**. \_\_\_\_\_

**Documentation Submitted to the Branch:**

*Please Review Art Instructions Sheet for guidance*

**Submit a one-page biography**

For those with **Position Title and compensation**

**Employment Verification is** \_\_\_\_\_ **Proof of Payment, yes**

**Selected by a qualified jury in at least 3 (three) exhibitions.**

Exhibition 1. \_\_\_\_\_ **Proof**

Exhibition 2. \_\_\_\_\_ **Proof**

Exhibition 3. \_\_\_\_\_ **Proof**

**Submit three (3) photos of art that was sold, and proof of sale.** Provide proof of payment (e.g., statement, canceled check, invoice, or equivalent. See ART Instructions Sheet for guidance)

1. **Artwork description** \_\_\_\_\_

**Photo, yes**

**Proof of Payment, yes**

2. **Artwork description** \_\_\_\_\_

Photo, yes

Proof of Payment, yes

3. Artwork description \_\_\_\_\_

Photo, yes

Proof of Payment, yes

**Certification:**

Signature of NLAPW Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Branch \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of NLAPW Branch Membership Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Branch \_\_\_\_\_

*(Sponsor and Membership Chair must be active members in good standing.)*

**Submission:**

*Apply for only one discipline at a time. After approval, you may apply in an additional field.*

*The dues of approved candidates, whose applications were postmarked February 15<sup>th</sup> or later, are valid through the following fiscal year. (Fiscal year, May 1<sup>st</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup>)*

**National dues are \$60 + \$15 processing fee.**

**Check(s) to National League of American Pen Women should total \$75.**

Branch dues \_\_\_\_\_ State dues \_\_\_\_\_ (State and Branch dues are not required until membership application is approved.)

**Branch Membership Chair provides to the NLAPW Credential Officer:**

- Letter of Branch's Recommendation of Applicant
- One-page biography
- 2 copies of this application
- Check(s)
- 1 copy of the three submitted works, in physical (photo) or electronic (jpg) form

**Branch Membership Chair**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Branch Membership Chair will send to:

**Bev Goldie, Credentials Officer**

8193 Crossgate Ct. N.

Dublin, OH 43017

bevgoldie@columbus.rr.com

*(For office use)*

Evaluated by Art Credentials

Officer \_\_\_\_\_

Date Application Received _____	check # _____	Initials _____
Date Sent to National _____		Initials _____
Date Received by National _____		Initials _____
Date Certificate Mailed to Membership Chair _____		Initials _____

**2016 Instruction Sheet for ART Applicants and Membership Chairs**  
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- **Branch certifies eligibility**
- **After verifying credentials, the Branch votes by ballot on the candidate.**  
*(This helps to ensure that a vote of approval is a Branch decision.)*
- **Branch provides the requested items to the appropriate NLAPW Credentials Officer for approval and processing.**

**The following notes are provided to assist in completing the form.**

1. After completing contact information, choose the appropriate category for Membership. Consult the “How to Join” page on the [www.nlapw.org](http://www.nlapw.org) website.
2. Submit a one-page biography.
3. Verification of employment (Position Title) may be a contract, organizational chart, or equivalent item. Provide a copy
4. Proof of Payment, can be a receipt, pay slip, canceled check (either a scan, a photo or a pdf file) or a screen shot from your online bank. To protect your privacy, and relieve NLAPW of responsibility, please black out account numbers, social security numbers, and any identity numbers, but leave the dollar amounts. Check the provided box to indicate that it is submitted
5. A juried exhibition is one in which Jurors select the art to be judged by a separate Judge. Please name the exhibition, and provide proof that you were in it. An example would be a printed program of the event, or an equivalent item. Please check the box.
6. Provide proof of sale of three pieces of your work. Describe the works. Provide a photo of the work, and proof of payment.
7. The Certification section is for your Sponsor and Branch Membership Chair signatures.
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**The NLAPW Bylaws, pertaining to Art Membership**

A. Art membership is open to professional visual artists including, but not limited to, those listed below.

1. A painter, photographer, sculptor, craftsman, shall show proof that her work

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has been selected by a qualified jury in at least 3 (three) exhibitions. This requirement may be waived by the Board of Directors for applicants who have received outstanding recognition in their professional field. Proof of publication in books or national magazines as creative fine art photography may be presented by a photographer.

2. An architect, cartoonist, graphic artist, designer, interior designer, illustrator, visual technologist shall show proof of work with firms or publication of work. An applicant salaried for her work shall submit proof to substantiate professional status and proof of payment.

## **Frequently Asked Questions —**

### **Does my branch really have to do this application process by itself? We have never done this before.**

Your NLAPW Membership Committee stands ready to help you. If you have a question about the process, please email the Membership Development Chair, Bev Goldie, [bgtproductions2010@gmail.com](mailto:bgtproductions2010@gmail.com)

Or, if your question is about the credentials, please email the Credentials Officer listed on your application.

### **I show my artwork in galleries and do not enter juried shows. will I qualify for membership?**

Yes, since your work is in galleries and if you provide proof of payment for sales.

### **What is the difference between a juried and judged art show?**

A juried show has selected your work from a pool of applicants for a show. A judged show is open to anyone, and judged with awards.

### **If I have sold three pieces of artwork, does this qualify me?**

Partially. If all three works were in a juried show then yes. Your evidence of work in three juried shows is still necessary. Evidence would be a program with your name in it, (showing "Juried Show" somehow), or an art calendar with a copy of the jurying process and your work in it, a poster or magazine article showing your work in a juried exhibition.