

WEATHERFORD ART ASSOCIATION
(a Texas non-profit corporation)
BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I
Name and Purpose

The name of the organization is the WEATHERFORD ART ASSOCIATION (the "Association"). The Association is a non-profit 501(c) Corporation. The purpose of the Association is to promote the growth of art appreciation among our members and the general public through educational activities, instructional programs, lectures, class instruction and public display and sales of works of art.

In the event of the dissolution of the Weatherford Art Association, the Association funds will be donated to the James and Dorothy Doss Heritage and Cultural Center.

ARTICLE II
Fiscal Year

Section 1. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year will begin on September 1st and end August 31st.

ARTICLE III
Membership

Section 1. Membership. Membership shall be open to all individuals who display an interest in and appreciation for the visual arts and of the Association's purposes. The categories of memberships are listed herewith in Section 2.

Section 2. Categories of Memberships.

A. Charter Members. The thirty-two (32) people who helped organize the Association on July 14, 1966.

B. Individual Membership. Any individual, including active artists, hobby artists, inactive artists, patrons of the arts and non-artists, may become an Individual Member and be charged annual membership dues as set by the Board of Directors and shall be entitled to all benefits and privileges conferred thereon by the Association.

C. Family Membership. Any adult residing in the same household as a current dues-paying Individual Member may become a Family Member and be charged reduced annual membership dues as set by the Board of Directors and shall be entitled to all benefits and privileges of an Individual Member.

D. Student Membership. Any full-time student, up to age 21, may become a non-voting Student Member and be charged reduced annual membership dues as set by the Board of Directors.

E. Life Membership. Any Individual Member recommended by the Board of Directors and voted on by the membership as a Life Member, shall enjoy all benefits and privileges of Individual Membership and shall be exempt from paying dues.

Section 3. Meetings of the Membership.

A. Regular Meetings. Regular Meetings will be held on the fourth (4th) Monday of each month with the exception of months when the fourth (4th) Monday falls on a Holiday, at which time the meeting will be held on the third (3rd) Monday of the month. The December meeting will be optional.

B. Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting of the Membership shall be held preceding and in conjunction with the Regular Meeting held in the first month of the Fiscal Year, September. The results of the preceding year and the plans for the ensuing year may be presented.

C. Emergency Meetings. Emergency meetings, deemed necessary by the President, shall be called at any time. Members will be notified by telephone and/or E-mail as to time, place and purpose of the meeting.

ARTICLE IV Finance

Section 1. Bank Account(s).

A. Checking Account. The Association shall maintain a checking account in the name of Weatherford Art Association to handle day to day operating expenses. Signers on the account shall be the President and Treasurer or other officers deemed necessary by the Board.

B. Certificates of Deposit or Other Interest-Bearing Bank Account. Any Certificate of Deposit or other Interest-Bearing Bank Account shall be in the name of the Weatherford Art Association. Any such certificates or other documentation shall be held in safekeeping at a bank of the Board of Director's choosing and a receipt for the same held by the Treasurer. Any interest earned thereon shall be deposited back into the related account. Any such accounts may be reinvested annually and no transfers or withdrawals of principal or any interest thereon can be made unless approved by the Board of Directors. The intended purpose of the withdrawal and the amount shall be announced by the President at the Regular Meeting of the Members immediately following such withdrawal.

Section 2. Revenues.

A. Annual Dues. Annual dues rates, as established by the Board of Directors, are due on September 1st. Dues are considered delinquent after October 31st. An effort will be made to notify members who have not paid their dues by September 30th. Only paid members will be notified of meetings. Paid membership is required for entering member-only art contests, including Artist of the Month, and for all other membership privileges.

B. Art Commissions. A commission equal to twenty percent (20%) of the sales price of any artwork sold at any Association sponsored art show shall be due the Association. Failure to comply may result in forfeiture of a Member's right to participate in future shows or displays.

C. Entry Fees. An artist entry fee, as set by the Board of Directors, may be charged for each work of art entered in a Association Sponsored Art Show. Failure to pay any such fee could result in disqualification of the artwork.

D. Other Revenues. The Association may receive revenue from a number of other sources including, but not limited to, studio rents, art-class fees, workshop fees, donations and interest on bank deposits.

Section 3. Operating Expenses.

A. Operating Expenditures. The Treasurer is authorized to pay all Board approved normal and recurring operating expenses.

B. Other Expenditures. Any other expense or investment over \$500 shall be approved by the Board of Directors and voted on by the Membership.

ARTICLE V Nomination and Election of Officers and Committee Chairpersons

Section 1. Nomination. Members shall be notified via the Newsletter and General Meeting when nominations will be accepted for officer positions. Members may nominate themselves or others. Nominations shall be from the membership at large. The consent of each nominee must be obtained before their name is placed in nomination and presented to the membership for voting.

Section 2. Term of Office. The officers and chairpersons shall be elected by a majority vote taken at the September Regular Meeting of the Membership and shall assume their duties on October 1st. These officers and chairpersons

shall serve a two-year term and may be re-elected for not more than one (1) additional consecutive two-year term to the same office. After serving two consecutive terms someone else must hold a position before the previous person may be re-elected again.

Section 3. Removal or Replacement. In case of vacancy or failure to serve by any officer or chairperson, the Board of Directors shall nominate a member to fill the unexpired term. This nominee shall be elected by a majority vote of membership as defined in Article X:2:A of this document.

ARTICLE VI Board of Directors

Section 1. Board of Directors. The members of the Board of Directors shall be the elected officers and chairpersons of the Association, which consist of the President, the three Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Chairperson, Historian, Publicity Chairperson and Hospitality Chairperson. These members are also, part of the Advisory Board. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to transact necessary business between meetings.

Section 2. Advisory Board. An Advisory Board will be established consisting of current and past officers and other interested applicable parties, for example, but not limited to, attorney, banker, accountant. The Advisory Board will assist WAA for the purpose of business planning and other duties and will meet at least once each quarter with the members of the Board of Directors to discuss plans, financial areas, and any other business-related matters. The Advisory Board is made up of "mentors to the organization."

Section 3. Meetings of the Board of Directors. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at least four (4) times a year on the second (2nd) Monday of the first month of each quarter (October, January, April and July). Additional Meetings of the Board of Directors may be held during the interim months or proceeding Regular Meetings of the Membership. In the case where a scheduled meeting falls on a Holiday, then such meeting will be held on the following third (3rd) Monday of said month. The President, on a "as needed" basis, may call additional meetings of the Board of Directors with at least one-week notice to all Directors.

ARTICLE VII Officers and Chairpersons

Section I. Officers.

More complete job descriptions may be found in the current WAA Policies and Procedures handbook.

A. President. The President shall be the principal Executive Officer and shall preside at all Meetings of the Board of Directors and Regular Meetings of the Membership and serve as ex-officio member at all committee meetings and perform any other duties that pertain to this office. In addition, the President shall appoint a qualified person to audit the records of the Association at the end of the fiscal year.

B. 1st Vice-President. The 1st Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in case of his or her absence or inability to serve.

C. 2nd Vice-President of Education. The 2nd Vice-President of Education shall be responsible for Education and securing a monthly demonstrator or program relating to art and for submitting pre-publicity information to the Publicity Chairperson. The 2nd Vice-President shall also serve as the Coordinator of Workshops and Classes.

D. 3rd Vice-President of Art Shows. The 3rd Vice-President of Art Shows shall be responsible for all aspects of Art Shows including Artist of the Month.

E. Secretary. The Secretary shall record all minutes of all Meetings of the Board of Directors and any actions taken at such meetings to be approved by the Board Directors at subsequent meetings. The Secretary shall also handle all appropriate correspondence as approved by the Board.

F. Treasurer. Shall have knowledge of bookkeeping and be responsible for all monies received and disbursed by the Association.

- i. All monies received shall be deposited in the Weatherford Art Association account and the source and amount carefully identified on each deposit slip.
- ii. The Treasurer shall pay all bills, authorized in Article IV, Section 3, in a timely manner. Such payments should be made by check if practical, with the reason recorded on the window of the check and check stub. Cash expenditures (from petty cash) shall be documented with valid receipts which will briefly explain the expenditure.
- iii. The Treasurer shall prepare monthly and annual reports and provide copies to the Board for approval.
- iv. The Treasurer shall present the books at the end of the fiscal year for audit. (See Article VII, Section 1. A.)

G. Membership Chairperson. The Membership Chairperson shall accept all membership applications and dues.

Section 2. Standing Committees (History, Publicity, and Hospitality). The Chairpersons of Standing Committees are members of the Board of Directors and have full voting privileges at board meetings.

A. Historian. The Historian shall act as custodian of past records, past photographs, awards letters, program news clippings pertaining to the Association.

B. Publicity Chairperson. The Publicity Chairperson shall be responsible for providing information to media outlets and members concerning activities and monthly programs of the association.

C. Hospitality Chairperson. The Hospitality Chairperson shall develop a spirit of friendliness among members and guests.

ARTICLE VIII Artist of the Month

Section 1. Artist of the Month. Artist of the Month shall be open to a vote of voting-members only. First place winners will not be eligible to enter competition for the remainder of the competition year (June thru May). Artwork must be original and have been created within the past three years.

Section 2. Artist of the Year. First place winners of the Artist of the Month Competition shall compete for Artist of the Year at the June Regular Meeting of the Membership. Entries shall be their Artist of the Month winning entry, unless unavailable.

ARTICLE IX Association Sponsored Art Shows

Section 1. General Rules. The rules shall be established yearly by the Board of Directors, upon recommendations received from the 3rd Vice President of Art Shows.

A. Purpose. Art Shows provide an opportunity for artists to display, sell their work, and compete for awards.

B. Restrictions. Any artwork deemed unsuitable by the 3rd Vice-President of Art Shows, and/or the Committee shall be disqualified.

C. Judge. A Judge will be chosen by the 3rd Vice-President of Art Shows, and should be a professional artist and/or teacher. The decision of the Judge will be final. Judging will be done after hanging of the show is complete and will be closed to members and the public. The 3rd Vice-President of Art Shows, will be in attendance and prepare and submit a list of winners to the Association.

D. Risk. All artworks entered in any art show sponsored by the Association will be entered at the risk of the owner and the Association will not assume responsibility for any theft or damage that might occur.

E. Prospectus. A Prospectus shall be prepared for each sponsored art show.

Section 2. Art Shows. The Board of Directors will determine the Association-Sponsored Art Shows.

**ARTICLE X
Miscellaneous**

Section 1. Amendments to By-Laws. The Board shall have the power and authority to propose alterations and amendments or repeal these By-Laws by a majority vote (Article X:A & B). Notice of proposed changes to these By-Laws shall be submitted to the membership thirty days prior to commencement of meeting at which such vote is taken.

Section 2. Quorum and Voting.

A. Board of Directors. One-half of the entire Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board.

B. Meetings of General Membership. The members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any general meeting of the membership, provided, notice of proposed business has been made to all members thirty days prior to commencement of meeting at which such business is addressed.

History of Revisions

Update of By-Laws May 4, 1987

Alice Tinsley
Margaret Pierce
Sharron Riedel
Dorothy Nees
Carol Goen

Update of By-Laws April 24, 2000

Maxine O'Neal
Akiko Reneau
Bobbie Wylie
Mike McCarty
Lori Eaton

Resolution to lease The Firehouse Art Center from the City of Weatherford May 9, 2002

Entered into this date, May 9, 2002, by unanimous vote, the Board of Directors of Weatherford Art Association, Mike McCarty-President; Margaret Anthony-1st Vice President; Judith Sharpe-Levy- 2nd Vice President; Martha Lott-Secretary; and Betty Murray-Treasurer, resolved to enter into a mutually acceptable lease agreement with the City of Weatherford for the premises located at 119 Palo Pinto Street, Weatherford, Parker County, Texas and generally described as the garage/fire bay area located in that certain Lessor owned facility known as "Old City Hall" to be used for the operation of the Weatherford Art Association, including the display of Artwork by members, classroom space and office space.

Respectfully,
Mike McCarty, President
325 Bent Oak Road
Weatherford, Texas 76086

Update of By-Laws October 27, 2003

Betty Murray
Margaret Anthony
Judy Mason
Joe Glenn
Rebecca Glasgow
Rhonda Cearley

Update of By-Laws June 27, 2005

Martha Lott
Judy Mason
Rebecca Glasgow
Margaret Anthony
Akiko Reneau

Update of By-Laws October 28, 2013

Dale Martin, President
John Stout, Vice President
Patricia Harder, Vice President
Kathleen Cuning, Vice President
Linda Whitehouse, Treasurer
Carolyn Young, Secretary
Bobbie Narramore, Membership Chairperson
Rebecca Glasgow, Historian
John Weimer, Hospitality Chairperson

Update of By-Laws February 26, 2018

Jack Eidson, President
Johnny "Mahto" Hogue, Vice President
Kathy Cuning, Vice President
Linda Whitehouse, Treasurer
Michelle Crider, Secretary
Jo Cheatham, Membership Chair
Cindi Neverdousky, Publicity
Linda Skov, Hospitality
Debra Sue Waters, Historian