

WISCONSIN REGIONAL ARTISTS ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

- ARTICLE I The name of the organization shall be WISCONSIN REGIONAL ARTISTS ASSOCIATION, INC. (hereinafter called the Association)
- ARTICLE II The purpose and goals of the organization shall be:
- A. to educate the members of the Association and the general public to the fields of creative applied visual arts;
 - B. to foster an awareness and appreciation of creativity and encourage the development and growth of artistic endeavors in Wisconsin;
 - C. to provide a framework for the exchange and dissemination of ideas, developments and other diverse matters of common interest to the creative arts community.
- ARTICLE III The Association shall be non-profit and no salary or wage shall be paid to any officer or member thereof. However, the Board of Directors may authorize the use of some of the monies earned by the WRAA Publication Endowment Fund to provide an honorarium to the Editor and/or editorial staff of Contour Notes. The Board may also authorize the payment of actual expenses of members and honorariums for service to the Association to be made from funds available to the organization.
- ARTICLE IV Any adult person who is interested in or actively engaged in the creative visual arts is eligible for membership in the Association.
- ARTICLE V The business and affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board of not less than twelve Directors. The number of Directors, their manner of election and duties shall be provided in the By-Laws. Terms of office shall expire at the close of the Annual Meetings.
- ARTICLE VI At the Annual Board Meeting, the Directors shall elect officers from among their number. Officers shall consist of a President, at least one Vice President, at least one Secretary, and a Treasurer. All officers shall serve for a term of one year and shall be installed at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting of the Association.
- ARTICLE VII Any matter of pertinent interest or concern to the Association may be brought before the membership at the Annual Meeting provided the President has received written notification of the intent to introduce such matters. Such notification must be received by the President at least thirty days prior to the meeting, and written communication must outline the subject to be brought before the meeting, together with an explanation of intent.

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- ARTICLE VIII Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be open to the Association membership, and the courtesy of the floor may be extended to visitors for comment or discussion at the discretion of the President.
- ARTICLE IX Membership dues are subject to the regulations described in the By-Laws.
- ARTICLE X This constitution can only be amended by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast at an Annual Meeting. Such proposed amendments shall be published in Contour Notes not less than thirty days prior to the Annual Meeting, together with an appropriate proxy.
- ARTICLE XI In the event of the dissolution of the Association, any funds remaining in its treasury shall be transferred to the Wisconsin Regional Arts Program – University of Wisconsin Extension.