

# Carolina Designer Craftsmen Provisional Member Application

**The Guild:** Since 1970, the Carolina Designer Craftsmen Guild has provided a profitable marketplace for the finest contemporary crafts in the Southeast. Our Annual Fair on Thanksgiving weekend provides a premier showcase for CDC Exhibiting Members in one of the most vital growth areas in the U.S. today. Carolina Designer Craftsmen Guild serves the Southeast by recognizing and promoting fine crafts, encouraging and stimulating creativity, appreciation and activity in the major crafts, and conducting the region's major craft show.

**Eligibility:** Craft media represented include: Clay, Fiber, Glass, Jewelry, Metal, Wood, Furniture, Work on Paper and Mixed Media.

All work must be original and made by hand. Selection is based on creativity and excellence in design and technique in traditional and contemporary crafts. *Designer Craftsmen are those who have perfected their craft with a mastery of technique and with originality of design. The body of work should demonstrate the artist's vision, and when viewed as a whole should be seen as more than the sum of its parts.*

**Not eligible:** Painting, commercial photography or reproductions are not eligible. Neither are objects made from kits, imported, commercially manufactured, cast from commercial molds, embellished (painted boxes, china, furniture, ready-made clothing) nor preserved natural objects (rocks, driftwood, shells, wildlife).

**Applying:** To jury for Exhibiting Membership, submit a CD with 10 Digital Images (JPEG or TIF format) of your work. **Nine** of the Digital Images should depict a representation of your current work, not made under supervision, of the type that you plan to exhibit at the CDC Fair. Your Digital Images should show mastery of technique, and cohesiveness of design and intent; each piece should be recognizable as a particular craftsperson's work, exhibiting creativity and originality. **The 10th Digital Image should be a booth display** that depicts your current body of work professionally displayed for exhibition and sale.

Digital Images should be in color and should be in JPEG or TIF format with a resolution of 300 dpi or higher. Images should be no older than three years old. Images should be crisp, with accurate color and of professional quality. The CD with Digital Images should be labeled with name of applicant and the Digital Image names on the CD should correspond with the description accompanying the application form. Incomplete applications will be returned.

If an applicant wishes to apply in two media, two separate applications, each with 10 Digital Images and \$25.00 screening fee, are required. Applicants may apply for a group membership, which would entitle them to one booth at the fair in which they may show the work of more than one artist. If applicants wish to apply for a group membership, they must submit at least five Digital Images of the work of each group member, as well as a booth image. Only the artists passing the jury will be offered a provisional membership.

Applicants passing the Image screening will be asked to exhibit within the next two (2) years at the annual Carolina Designer Craftsmen Fair held Thanksgiving weekend. Your work, as well as presentation of the work, will be evaluated at that time. Those applicants passing this jury will become Exhibiting Members of Carolina Designer Craftsmen. Exhibiting member dues are \$35.00 annually, payable upon acceptance into Carolina Designer Craftsmen.

**What to send:** Submit **10 Digital Images on CD** which includes **1 booth Image**, as described in the application section. Please Note: Slides are no longer being accepted. A completed application form and a non-refundable fee of \$25.00 for each category, to be received by **April 1st**. Mail the above with your \$25.00 check payable to: Carolina Designer Craftsmen, P.O. Box 2384, Raleigh, NC 27602. Also Include a stamped, self-addressed postcard if you wish to be notified that your application has been received.

**Applications are taken January 1st through April 1st.**

Carolina Designer Craftsmen Fair

**Thanksgiving Weekend: Friday 6pm-9pm Saturday 10am-6pm Sunday 11am-5pm**

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Individual Applicant	
Group Applicants	
Address	
City, State, Zip	
Home Phone	Business Phone
E-Mail Address	
<b>PLEASE LIST ON SEPARATE PAGE: Digital Image Descriptions for 10 Images (Numbered/Named to correspond with CD with Digital Images) Any Awards and Honors</b>	