



Bayou City Art Festival
Presented by Art Colony Association
Biennial Call for Nonprofit Partner Applications, 2013 - 2015

The Art Colony Association (ACA) is proud to give back 100% of its proceeds from Bayou City Art Festival Downtown Houston and Memorial Park, to area nonprofits with which it partners. All of ACA's nonprofit partners (NPPs) are loyal organizations, dedicated to our mission and concerned with the presentation of art that impacts on our community.

Applications for NPP are reviewed and approved by the ACA Board of Directors once every two years. NPPs that are approved receive partner payments twice annually after successfully participating in the Memorial and Downtown festivals. NPPs that participate receive minimum payments of \$3K per festival; \$6K annually. Bonus payments may be awarded, based on festival success versus cost and NPP performance, as determined by the ACA Board of Directors.

- The mission of the Art Colony Association is to produce high quality art festivals and events to provide financial support to local nonprofit organizations.
- ACA annually produces the Bayou City Arts Festivals in Downtown Houston and Memorial Park.
- Nonprofit Partners are selected annually by the ACA Board and receive a predetermined stipend for their participation in the festival(s).
- Nonprofit Partners are encouraged to take advantage of this unique opportunity to create public awareness for their missions and programs, and to reach potential new members, donors, audience members and guests through festival participation.

Applicants for Nonprofit Partner of the Art Colony Association must submit:

- One (1) copy of their 501(c)3 designation from the IRS.
- One (1) page history of their organization.
- One (1) page description and proposed budget of the program to which funds will be applied.
- List of organization's current board of directors, including names, addresses and professional/civic affiliations.
- One (1) copy of financial documentation for the most recently completed fiscal year (i.e. IRS Form 990).
- One (1) original signed assurance page that includes a pledge of a minimum of 150 volunteer shifts (four hours) fulfilled towards the success of the Bayou City Art Festivals each year. These hours may be fulfilled in needs leading up to the Bayou City Art Festivals as well as contributed hours at the two (2) festivals each year. Failure to meet this requirement will be assessed by the ACA Board of Directors and may reflect in a decrease in NPP payment for that festival. Please note if your organization is only able to participate in one festival annually – we are happy to work with your calendar year.

**For further information or questions, email elizabeth@bayoucityartfestival.com*

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