



Northeast Iowa Artists' **26TH ANNUAL Studio Tour** NIAST, Inc.

**Northeast Iowa Artists' Studio Tour • Sept 29, 30 & Oct 1, 2023 • 10-5 Daily • www.IowaArtTour.com
POSTMARK DEADLINE TO APPLY April 1, 2023**

Mission statement: To provide for the public to experience the artist in their studio surroundings, to view the tools utilized, and the techniques involved in the creation of the artists work and to purchase art directly from the artist.

media - limited to fine art/fine craft

Items: Painting, sculpture, jewelry, photography, clay, wood, glass, printmaking, handmade paper, fiber, etc. as seen at Fine Art Fairs. All works must be original in concept and design and executed by the applicant: works from molds/kits, commercial/manufactured items, and buy/sell not permitted. Juried via email by professional artists. Items exhibited must be representative of those juried in. Criteria based on: originality/quality of work, and working studios of the artist, in the Tour area, with address within 40 miles from Decorah city limits, in Iowa.

entry fees/categories - Postmark Deadline April 1, 2023 - images submitted after include \$25 late fee.

- Submitted application is agreement to participate, fees are non-refundable. Checks of those not selected returned. Text subject to editing.
- **\$25 JURY FEE** - Due to ongoing covid situation, returning Artists do not jury if art is similar regardless of participation. You are accepted.
 - **\$265 - 1 MEDIA - 1 BOX in brochure - Individual or Collaborative Media** (2 artists creating 1 media, both Artists sign each piece or use business name) 1 contact info, 1-2 pictures at discretion of designer. 10-18 word description.
 - **\$450 - 2 SEPARATE MEDIAS - 1 BOX in brochure - ONLY Family/Married that are 2 Individual Artists, living at 1 location.** 2 pictures/1 of each media, 1 contact info, 10-18 word description in total (equals \$225 per artist). *This choice is optional, may choose individual category instead for \$265 each, if 1 box per media/more space is preferred.*
 - **\$450 - 1 MEDIA AT ARTIST'S BUSINESS/GALLERY LOCATION - 1 BOX in brochure.** For an Artist with a gallery representing other work in which more than 25% of items for sale are other than Artist's artwork. 2 pictures/1 of media and 1 of gallery interior, 1 contact info, 10-18 word description total, (fee equals \$225 per artist, \$225 for business location/advertising).
 - **\$265 - BUSINESS/HOSTING LOCATION, ONLY hosting an Accepted Artist(s) that has an inaccessible site and move is accepted by the NIAST Board.** Fee is required from the location, when hosting an artist(s) and is NOT the studio of an accepted artist. Participation is subject to review by the NIAST board. Submit 10-18 word listing. Accepted Artist(s) fee required in addition to location fee. Details negotiated and agreed upon by both parties prior to acceptance between Artist(s), location and NIAST Board. Listing similar to Artists on web-site. In brochure there is no guarantee of separate box for location information. Per the Mission statement of the Studio Tour, preference is given to brochure space for Studio Artists. Efforts will be made to display location in inset or other location if location is of historic, cultural or arts related significance, similar to 2019 brochure layout. *Each artist at the Business site must submit application. Only accepted artists can exhibit, no guests.

digital images - EMAIL OR SEND Duplicate CD only, will not be returned. images sent after 4/1 include \$25 late fee.

- **New applicants submit 4 digital images emailed or on cd with application:** 3 of current work, in proportion to work exhibited, 4th of you-at-work. Images specs: min 4" short side, 300 DPI Jpegs. 1- 5MB each. **Email Subject Line: NIAST 2023- IMAGES - (Your Name)**
- **No Slides accepted. Photos - add \$25 per image for scanning, include SEPARATE CHECK, non-refundable.** NIAST will digitally photograph artwork for your brochure application, minimum cost \$50, call Darla Ellickson 563-382-2295.
- **New Applicant(s) must submit detailed map and directions, with short paragraph/directions from nearest major intersection.**
- **Returning Artists must submit 1 new artwork image by April 1, 2023 on cd or email to darla@earloops.com.** Minimum size 1 to maximum size 5MB, 300dpi. Label JPEGs with: last name, first name, #. **Email Subject Line: NIAST 2023- Images - (Your Name)**
- **Artist profiles on web:.** Due Apr 30. Submit short paragraph and 3-5 images. **Email Subject Line: NIAST 2023- PROFILE - (Your Name)**

brochure bulk mailing - submit your customer list - by Aprl 30 - digital only

In 2023 NIAST mailed nearly 6,000 Tour brochures in a bulk mailing to clients from Artists mailing lists, past requests, and survey cards. Survey cards show that this mailing is NIAST's most effective advertising. Send your list with your application, or before April 30. **ONLY Compatible Excel, tab-delineated, or Filemaker Pro format, sorted by zipcode. In separate digital file, send your names to delete.**

artists' responsibilities

- All exhibitors are responsible for collecting 7% Iowa sales tax. Your name is submitted as an exhibitor.
- NIAST Inc. recommends Artist(s)/locations maintain their own individual liability insurance.
- Artist's Studios/locations must be open all Tour hours and Artist must be present all days. Artists are encouraged to demonstrate.

win art program - drawing for an Art prize - at your studio - you ship

Participation is voluntary. Uniform drawing card pdf emailed, return to Tour for bulk mail list. Submit item image, description and value with application for web-page and brochure. **Display art at your studio, draw a winner from tour-goers at your spot - encourage attendance.**

looking for sponsors and advertisers - deadline April 30 for inclusion in brochure

SPONSOR Program - Sponsor Levels - Higher dollars = higher listing.

1. **Art Supporter** - For \$35 to \$49 - your name will be listed on the very popular Tour website www.IowaArtTour.com!
2. **Friend of the Arts** - For \$50 to \$199 you get your name on www.IowaArtTour.com (+ in brochure if space allows, preference to higher \$).
3. **Sponsor** - For \$200 to \$999 - **you get your logo + your website** in brochure and on website.
4. **Major Sponsor** - For \$1000 and above, you get **above - larger - Major designation** - and top ranking in the Sponsor listing!

Advertising - in the Lodging and Dining section - 1 listing for \$85. A business with 2 locations can advertise both for \$150. Prepaid only. Reach 20,000+ discriminating, cultural tourists in a full-color **brochure** and plus more than 350,000 hits on the **website!**

Contact people to be a sponsor or advertiser. Or let Glen know who to contact: glenlxn@gmail.com or darla for an invoice sheet.

Signed release required to participate - Application will not be accepted if not SIGNED AND DATED REQUIRED
ALL materials submitted after deadlines include a \$25 late fee with each submission if separate: images, profile, mail list.



I do not hold NIAST Inc., and/or Ellickson Jewelry Collection Studio & Gallery, its officers or agents responsible for accidental loss or damage of any kind. I acknowledge the General Comprehensive insurance coverage for NIAST Inc. does not provide my premises any liability coverage of any sort. I have read and understand the rules and agree to observe them. Submitted application grants NIAST permission to use artist images for publicity purposes. An application is a commitment to participate, no refunds will be given.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
Iowa Sales tax number REQUIRED # _____

APPLICATION POSTMARK DEADLINE TO APPLY APRIL 1, 2023

Send SIGNED Application & CD to: Darla Ellickson
 3175 Middle Sattre Rd.
 Decorah, IA 52101-7416
darla@earloops.com
 Email images to:
EMAIL SUBJECT LINE: NIAST 2023 - IMAGES - (your name)
***REQUIRED* NIAST 2023 - PROFILE - (your name)**

26TH ANNUAL
 NORTHEAST IOWA ARTISTS'

 SEPT 29, 30 & Oct 1, 2023

 Find us on Facebook

NAME(S) _____
 BUSINESS NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 PHONE (DAY) _____ (EVENING) _____ PHONE IN BROCHURE _____
 Handicap Accessible Handicap Accessible w/help Open other times by Appointment Year-round showroom Will have Studio Drawing
 E-MAIL _____ WEB-PAGE _____
 MEDIA _____ DESCRIPTION IN BROCHURE -10 to18 WORDS Use same text as 2022 OR
 NEW TEXT _____

No refunds of jury and/or exhibiting fees. Funds are allocated to Tour expenses once application process is complete
BE A SPONSOR - Get extra notice as a supporter of the arts in northeast Iowa

I'd like to be a NIAST sponsor - Donations over \$200 receive name, logo and website in the brochure and online!
 More than \$1000 - MAJOR SPONSOR. \$200-\$999 Sponsor. \$100-\$199 Friend of the Arts. \$35-\$99 Arts supporter

FEE CATEGORY: SEPARATE check(s) payable to NIAST Inc. - RETURNED CHECKS SUBJECT TO A \$40 FEE.

- ___ \$25 - Jury fee for all new Artists Due to ongoing covid situation, returning artists do not need to rejury if work is similar.
- ___ \$265 - Individual or Collaborative/1 media/1 location/1 box
- ___ \$450 - Family/Married/double/2 Individual Artists/2 Separate Medias/1 location/1 box
- ___ \$265 - Business/location hosting artist. Which Artist(s) _____ Artist must also be accepted/submit application/fee
- ___ \$450 - Artist at Artist's Studio/Retail location in which other items are for sale and Artists' work is not at least 75% of those items for sale (media plus location fee, similar to double fee) 1 box.

TOTAL. Make check to: NIAST Inc. Send all to: NIAST Inc. • 3175 Middle Sattre Rd. • Decorah, IA 52101-7416
REQUEST TO EXHIBIT AT A LOCATION THAT IS NOT MY WORKING STUDIO - PROVIDE ON SEPARATE SHEET.

In order to participate in the Northeast Iowa Artists' Studio Tour, your working studio must be located within the Tour area. Under certain conditions of inaccessibility, requests will be considered to participate at a location that is not your working studio. Each request is handled individually by the board. The **Mission of the Tour continues to be: To provide for the public to experience the artist in their studio surroundings, to view the tools utilized, and the techniques involved in the creation of the artists work and to purchase art directly from the artist.** Supply any supporting documentation, ie: response to, photos, etc.

1. What part of your processes can you exhibit along with your artwork to explain and demonstrate your process?
2. Is your working space not accessible to the public? Is so, please explain how.
3. What is your reason for requesting a location outside of your working studio?

___ Include me in the bulk mailing. Quantity _____ Included w/application ___ Will send by 4/30/2023
 ___ Lodging/dining/sponsors to contact to be in Brochure. _____
 ___ **I'd like to help! Please call on me for Tour-related work - it helps keep costs & Artist fees down! Check all that apply**
 ___ Distribute brochures/posters ___ Contact Advertisers/Sponsors ___ Submit Press, calendar of events ___ Input drawing cards

calendar	2023	artist checklist - Separate checks to: NIAST Inc.
April 1.....PostmarkApplication deadline		___ Fee(s)to NIAST Inc.: ___Jury ___single ___double ___location ___ SPONSOR
April 15 Notification of acceptance		___ 4 images-new Artists. Email-Subject line: NIAST 2023 - Images - (your name)
April 30 Web Profile/Mailing list Due		___ Returning Artist- 1 NEW ART IMAGE REQUIRED +self image . send in Email
May 17..... Tentative Annual Meeting		___ DUE APR 30/Web Profile email Subject line: NIAST 2023 - Profile - (your name)
26th Annual Northeast Iowa Artists' Studio		___ Detailed map/directions/Win Art studio drawing (Opt) w/Application
Sept 29, 30, & Oct 1. . . . Fri-Sun,10-5 daily		___ DUE APRIL 30/Mailing list. Excel, Filemaker Pro. Digital only. Sort by zip.

membership
 Participation in the Northeast Iowa Artists' Studio Tour (NIAST, Inc.) includes being a member in the NIAST Inc. organization. NIAST Inc. is a 504(a) not for profit organization. NIAST membership is on an annual basis from your acceptance of that year until the next years applications deadline. Members vote for the NIAST Inc. board annually and on items as presented to them by the board. Any participating Artist may run for the board. The board determines policy. Board positions are 3 years and are staggered. Board members are voluntary and not compensated. Current 5-member board includes: Steve & Peggy Kittelson Glen & Darla Ellickson, and one open seat. **Contact: Darla or Glen Ellickson • 563-382-2295 • darla@earloops.com**