



ANNMARIE SCULPTURE GARDEN & ARTS CENTER

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Dear Interested Performer:

Greetings from Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center! Thank you for your interest in performing at *Artsfest '16*, to take place Sept 17 & 18, 2016! Annmarie is a wonderful venue for the arts. With artist booths and performers scattered across the thirty acre site, it is a wonderful experience! Many photos of Annmarie and *Artsfest* can be found on our website, www.annmariegarden.org.

Artsfest is intended as a celebration of the visual and performing arts. We strive to create a rich mix of dance, theatre, and musical performances. We give preference to those performers that present original compositions, scores, songs, etc. Our goal is to give visitors a diverse and original experience of the arts!

To be considered for *Artsfest*, you must complete a **Performer Application Form** and send along a demo DVD or CD, a description of your performance, and photos. **The deadline to apply is June 1st.** *Artsfest '16* will be held September 17 & 18, 2016.

Typically, *Artsfest* has three performance areas – the **Main Stage**, the **Council Ring**, and **strolling** acts. The Main Stage is under a large tent, is amplified, and has a raised stage. The Council Ring is a lovely, more intimate setting, appropriate for non-amplified performances. Strolling performers can wander along the Wooded Path and around the Tent Circle.

We are happy to be able offer performers an honorarium that is paid within 30 days after *Artsfest*. The amount of the honorarium depends on sponsorships and grants. In addition, performers are encouraged to put out tip jars and sell DVDs or CDs of their work. Details about this can be found on the application form.

Please note that we have a strict policy of communicating **ONLY** with the designated **Contact Person**. We have learned over the years that this is the best way to avoid confusion. Please keep in mind that we have a very small staff, so we rely on you to help us make *Artsfest* a great experience for all involved. We couldn't do this without you!

Once we have received your application, we will contact you to approve you for the event, but please keep in mind that we will not finalize the performance schedule until the summer. Any questions or concerns can be directed to Crystal Seay at info@annmariegarden.org. Thank you for considering *Artsfest*! This is our most important fund-raising event of the year, so your support means a great deal to us!

Thank you!

Stacey Hann-Ruff
Director

Crystal Seay
Artsfest Performing Arts Coordinator



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ARTSFEST '16 - Performer Application Form (2 pages)

SEPTEMBER 17 & 18, 2016, ANNMARIE GARDEN

Annual Deadline to apply: June 1st

Incomplete Applications will be returned.

Name of Group or Performer _____

How many people are in the group? _____

Contact Person: _____ Cell phone: _____
(where they can be reached the day of the performance)

EMAIL (required): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (daytime) _____ Phone (evening) _____

Form: ☐ Music ☐ Dance ☐ Theatre ☐ Other? _____

Description of Performance (please note that we give preference to artists who present original music, dance, etc.):

***** Please attach a DVD or CD of performance and publicity photos – REQUIRED!**

Schedule: please indicate your preferred performance day and time. We cannot guarantee that we will offer you that slot, but will do our best!

Performance preference: ☐ Saturday ☐ Sunday

Preferred performance time: _____

Performance Space: typically, *Artsfest* has three performance areas – the **Main Stage** (amplified music), the **Council Ring** (acoustic, a more intimate space) and **Strolling/Busking**. Please indicate your preference:

☐ Main Stage ☐ Council Ring ☐ Strolling/Busking ☐ Other? _____

You must include a demo CD and photos with this form. Include the demo with this application, but photos can be emailed to info@annmariegarden.org Please note that we will not consider incomplete applications.

Honorarium: all performers will receive an honorarium by October 31. The amount is dependent upon sponsorship, but is typically \$50 to \$150. We are sorry, but we cannot cut a check the day of the performance.

Who should check be made out to _____

EIN or Social Security # _____

CD Sales & Tip Jars: all performers are encouraged to put out a tip jar and to sell their DVDs or CDs (30 minutes before the performance, during the performance, and within 30 minutes after your performance). Permission to sell at any other time must be granted by the Director of Annmarie Sculpture Garden.



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Release Agreement for 2016

I acknowledge and agree that my completion and submission of this application represents my commitment to participate in Artsfest to be held at Annmarie Garden, September 17 and 18, 2016. I have received and read the application form and letter which are part of this application, and are incorporated herein by reference. If I am accepted into Artsfest, I agree to abide by these rules.

For good and valuable consideration, including being permitted to participate in Artsfest, the undersigned participating artist(s), for myself and my successors, heirs, assigns, executors, administrators, legal representatives, employees, agents and affiliates and in case of corporation, also its officers, directors, and shareholders (collectively, the "Artist"), forever releases and discharges Annmarie Garden, Ann's Circle, the Koenig Private Foundation, the Calvert County Government, and each of its officers, directors, employees, agents, assigns, volunteers and affiliates (herein referred to as "Artsfest") from all claims, demands, losses, costs, expenses, suits, damages, obligations, liabilities, and cause of action, whether arising in law or in equity, which the Artist ever had, may now have, or may hereafter have by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever arising out of or related to the Artist's involvement in Artsfest.

The Artist agrees to and does hereby assume any and all risks of personal injuries to the Artist, including death, and risk of damage to the Artist's property, caused by or arising out of the Artist's involvement in Artsfest.

The Artist hereby agrees to defend, indemnify and hold Artsfest harmless from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, losses, cause of action, damages, liabilities, obligations, costs, expenses, and judgments (including, without limitation, death and damages to property) caused by the Artist's acts or omissions or failure to abide by the rules of Artsfest arising out of the Artist's involvement in Artsfest.

If accepted, Artsfest has my permission to use submitted images and music tracks for publicity purposes, for the purpose of promoting, advertising, and marketing Artsfest. Artsfest also has my permission to publish photographs or video taken of me during Artsfest for purposes related to promotions of Artsfest, past or future. I understand I will receive an honorarium by October 31, 2016 and the amount is dependent upon sponsorship.

Name of performer representative

Signature of Authorized Person

Date

Print or type group name: _____

Annual Application Deadline – June 1st

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Have you included/sent:

Brief bio/description of performance?

Demo DVD or CD?

Good publicity photos?

Completed Application form?

Signed Release Form?

Thank you for your interest!

Send application packet to: Artsfest, P.O. Box 99, Dowell, MD 20629