

## ACTIVE STATUS PACKAGE 2019

Congratulations on being accepted as an Active member of the Federation of Canadian Artists.

### BENEFITS OF ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

1. You can submit your work to most **FCA Juried Exhibitions**.
2. You can submit to the Small Artwork Collection for sale in the Gallery. If accepted, works may be on display for 2 months; up to 4 pieces of artwork per member. For more information regarding this service, please see our website under submissions, or contact the Gallery Sales Associate at [sales@artists.ca](mailto:sales@artists.ca).
3. If you have a professional **artist website**, you may have it **listed** at [http://artists.ca/member\\_artists](http://artists.ca/member_artists). To do so, please send your website link to the membership coordinator at [membership@artists.ca](mailto:membership@artists.ca).
4. **FCA Membership Badge**: This emblem is a visual tool that you may use to complement existing marketing materials by placing it on your website, business card, or brochures, as a symbol of the level of quality and professionalism you have achieved. You can download your Active membership badge form our website by going to "**Member Resources**" and "**FCA Member Badge**" at: [http://artists.ca/member\\_resources/fca\\_member\\_badge](http://artists.ca/member_resources/fca_member_badge) When you add the emblem to your website, the badge should act as a link to the following page which will explain to your visitor the significance of your membership status: [www.artists.ca/federation\\_membership](http://www.artists.ca/federation_membership).
5. You can **work towards your Signature status** (AFCA and then SFCA). Active Members are eligible to apply for Signature Status after acceptance in 7 juried FCA Exhibitions in 4 years or less. Application deadline to the Selection Committee is in February each year.

You will also continue to receive your Art Avenue magazine in the mail, our eNewsletter, invitations to openings and discounts on our education programs and retreats. Should your work be accepted in a juried FCA show, it will appear on [www.artists.ca](http://www.artists.ca), in the online gallery.

**Important:** Active members **may not use the designation AFCA or SFCA** after their names. This designation is reserved for Associate members / Senior members. As a member of the Federation of Canadian Artists, it is also illegal to use the initials FCA after your name as those initials designate being a Fellow of the Chartered Accountants.

### JURIED SHOWS SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

- All juried show submissions are online at: <http://artists.ca/submissions/index>

To see the calls of submissions for FCA shows, you need to login to our website ([www.artists.ca](http://www.artists.ca)) with your username and password.

A **video tutorial** on how to submit online can be found on our website here: [http://artists.ca/member\\_resources](http://artists.ca/member_resources)

- Information on **how to photograph you artwork** / how your images should look / mistakes that should be avoided / **show submission guidelines** / **getting your painting to the gallery and getting it back**, as well as many more tips and information can be found on our website at: [http://artists.ca/member\\_resources/information\\_for\\_artists](http://artists.ca/member_resources/information_for_artists)
- For assistance with your submission, please contact the Gallery Coordinator at least 3 days prior to the dead line
- All exhibitions have different themes and guidelines, please read the submission booklet in full before submitting

## **IMAGE SPECIFICATIONS**

1. Must be a true copy of the original art work in values, intensity and colour.
2. File format must be JPEG (.jpg) only. Non-JPG files will NOT be converted by the Gallery.
3. Minimum 24-bit true colour or 8-bit gray scale for black & white images.
4. Images are required to be at least 1500 pixels on the long side (for a portrait image, the height should be this size or greater, and for Landscape, the width will have to be that size or greater in pixels) at 300 ppi.
5. Recommended maximum image size is 2000 pixels on the largest dimension (either height or width).
6. Please ensure the image you upload is cropped so that only the painting/image is visible. Use a photo or image editing program to remove unwanted parts, such as frames, or edges of the canvas
7. There is no maximum image size in pixels, however the maximum file size is 24MB. If your image file size is greater than this, use a photo or image editing program to reduce the size of the image before uploading.

## **COPYRIGHT AGREEMENT**

The Federation of Canadian Artists (FCA) makes every effort to ensure that all works offered for sale, both at the Federation Gallery and in other sanctioned FCA exhibits, are original works of our members. Any issues of infringement of copyright that may arise in such works are the sole responsibility of the authoring artist, and the FCA accepts no responsibility whatsoever for infringement of such rights, nor for any loss, damage, penalties, awards or administrative or judicial orders arising therefrom.

On each Exhibition Contract, the applicant will be required to endorse a statement declaring that the artwork he or she is entering is not a copy, derivative or based on the work of others, or in any way an infringement of copyright.

Questions about specific copyright issues should be directed to the Canadian Intellectual Property Office: [www.gc.cipo.ca](http://www.gc.cipo.ca) or 604-666-0690.

## **FCA FRAMING STANDARDS**

### **IMAGE SIZE DESCRIPTION**

The industry standard used by the FCA for describing the dimensions of any given artwork is: height x width measured in inches.

### **MATTING AND FRAMING**

- Environmentally sensitive artwork, such as watercolour and pastel, are required to be framed under glass or Plexiglas, or finished to an archival standard.
- Artwork must be fitted with d-rings and plastic-coated hanging wire.
- It is not acceptable to secure framed works with clips.
- Unframed canvasses must have all sides painted and staples must be on the back stretcher bars.
- The FCA reserves the right to refuse to hang any artwork.