

Decorative Arts Guild

what is it?

The Decorative Arts Guild is a group of artists and artisans who utilize a variety of techniques and media to create ornamental and functional objects. We work with a wide range of materials including wood, glass, metal, ceramic, textile, reed and cane. We paint in oils, acrylics, and watercolor. We experiment with mixed media, collage and other styles of Decorative Arts. Our guild includes basketmakers who create a variety of styles of baskets, both functional and decorative.

Our guild is comprised of highly-skilled expert-level artists and artisans as well as beginners. We are happy to have several decorative arts teachers among us.

The purpose of the Decorative Arts Guild is to stimulate interest in working in the decorative arts field. Membership gives one a chance to socialize, network, learn from others, sell product and take classes. Our guild meets on a regular basis.



what would your part be?

- Volunteer for tasks within the Guild.
- Fulfill shared responsibilities in the operation of the Society, for example, chair or serve on a committee, help with clerical tasks, plan and stage events, and staff the gallery during shows.
- Participate with work for sale or make a cash contribution to support the Fall Fair, our primary fundraiser.
- Help out with the Holiday Marketplace.
- Meet annual Society and Guild membership dues.

what to do next?

To apply for membership in the Decorative Arts Guild and LACS:

- Request an application packet from the LACS Office.
- Complete and submit the application form.
- Attend a brief orientation session.
- Pay Society and Guild membership dues.

For more information contact:

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or email the guild at DecorativeArtsGuild@LACSMa.org

what's in it for you?

- Exhibit your work and offer it for sale in the spacious Parsons Gallery during the Guild's Annual Exhibition and other invitational exhibits, as well as in other locations.
- Sell your work in the summer Artisans Market and the December Holiday Marketplace* as well as in the Back Door Gallery.
- Automatically receive membership in NARM, North American Reciprocal Museums, which offers benefits such as free admission and member discounts at museum shops at over 600 museums in the U.S., over 30 in Massachusetts**.
- Receive discounts on classes and workshops.
- Receive discounts at quality retailers.
- Increase exposure of your art through the LACS website and social media.
- Participate in Lexington Open Studios at LACS.
- Receive Society and Guild newsletters with updated information on our programs, shows and events‡.
- Access Guild and Society libraries and resources‡.
- Be invited, along with a guest, to attend the popular Holiday Marketplace Preview Party and advance sale.
- Make lasting friendships with other artists who share your enthusiasm and desire to explore a variety of techniques and materials.

*Dependent upon submitting work for sale in the Fall Fair fundraiser.

**NARM benefit with full-year, non-discounted Society membership,

‡Not all Guilds have newsletter and library.

