

ARToberFEST

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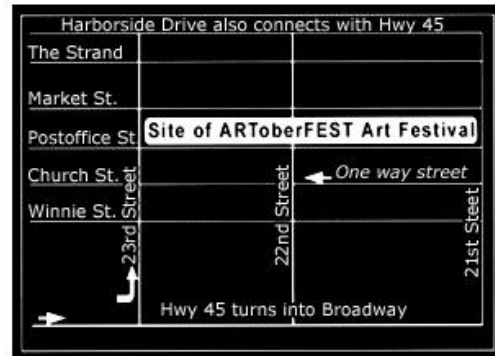
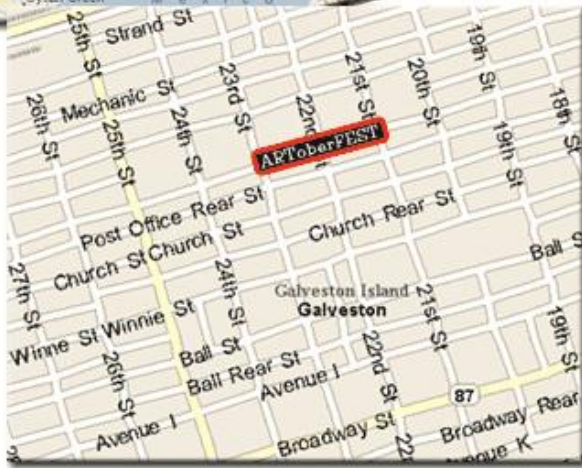
Artist Information for 2023

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Festival Location

- **Address:** Postoffice Street, between 21ST & 23rd Streets Galveston, Texas 77550
- **Google Maps link:** <https://www.google.com/maps/@29.3051196,-94.7912,17z?hl=en>



On Site Contact Information

- **Artist Support Hotline:** 409-457-9780 contact Sarah Piel.
- **Address Issues/ Requests in Person:** Artist Check-In for booths will be located at the corner of 22nd Street and Postoffice Street in front of the McCrory Building starting Friday October 20, 2023 at 2:00pm and on Saturday October 21st, starting at 7:30 am. You will receive exhibitor badge, car window tag and parking tags at this time. There will be temporary parking available at each festival entrance while you are registering and unloading. Parking not provide on Friday. Your packet will include a site map indicating parking locations that are available for Saturday and Sunday.

Festival Eligibility and Rules

By paying for your booth and participating in ARToberFEST, you are agreeing to abide by the following rules:

Eligibility

- ARToberFEST is open to individual fine artists and craftsmen, displaying their own original work. Artists must be present at the festival.
- No kits, molds, or edible art may be submitted.
- Artist representatives and agents, or gallery owners, will not be eligible.
- Participation is limited to a maximum 120 juried artists.
- Only artists accepted in the jewelry category may display or sell jewelry.
- Prints exhibited by artists accepted in the graphics/printmaking category must be limited editions and properly signed and numbered. Reproductions of other 2-D work must be clearly labeled "Reproduction".
- Ceramic works must be handmade by the artist. If multiple pieces of the same design are displayed, each must be signed.
- Participating exhibitors are responsible for collecting and paying current city and state sales tax for all sales made during the show.

Booth Placement

- Returning artists may request previously assigned space but, specific space not guaranteed. Ultimately location is at the discretion of the festival organizer. New location requests must be on the application. Please do not send additional emails.
- Booth assignments for new artists are at the discretion of the festival organizers.
- Though we can't guarantee all artists will receive their booth location choice, we make every effort to place the artist in the general location that is requested.

Tent Specifications

- Each artist must supply their own 10' x 10' clean white tent. Exhibit space is approximately 10' x 10'.
- Each artist's tent will have at least 5' of space on sides of tent to provide up to 3-sided customer access; the configuration is up to you.
- As the festival takes place on concrete streets, you must provide **50lbs weights** for your booth for each leg of tent. October is a windy month, please be prepared. If your tent turns over in the middle of the night the event coordinator will call to let you know.
- In 2023 the Festival will provide and require some areas to have additional weights.

Jury Process

Each artist must provide four images of their work and one booth image. Images are to be submitted through ZAPApplication . These images may be used to advertise the festival. In the event that a booth is shared, each artist must register and submit images, and will be juried separately. Entries are juried in June and acceptance emails and letter will be sent out June. The jury process is for acceptance into the festival. Best of Show ribbons are awarded to artists that make a perfect score of 15. These artists will be exempt from the jury process for the following year but will have to pay for booth space. Artists who work in more than one medium must choose their "primary" work, with the option to submit additional images.

- The Fine Art Festival Industry at large does not allow galleries or artist's representatives to show at juried art festivals, nor do we.
- Festival Hours: 10 am - 6 pm Saturday and 10 am to 5 pm on Sunday. Artists must be present in booth.

Jury Information and Policies

- Our panel consists of 3 jurors. All jurors are selected from local Community Arts Organizations based on their specific interests, professional knowledge and/or background.
- Jurors change with each event.
- Work is scored on a scale 1 to 5 with total score of 15. We require a score of 13 and above to participate.
- All images of work are viewed at the same time. Jurors are not shown the artists' name or any other identifying information.
- Jurors are asked to review all applications.
- Applicants will be notified of event acceptance or decline status by email by date noted on application.
- The jurors' decisions are conducted as a personal critique and as such, individual responses are not recorded.
- Best of Show ribbons will be given out to artists that scored a perfect 15 at artist check in.

Artist Check-In

- **Artist's Presence Required:** Artists must check-in for the event in person per festival rules; all Artists must be present on site during the entire festival.
- **Contact Information**
At check-in, you will be **required to provide mobile phone number in the event of an emergency.**

TIMES & LOCATION TO PICK UP ARTIST PACKET AND CHECK-IN:

TIMES: Friday, October 20, 2023 from 2:00 pm to 9 pm or
Saturday October 21, 2023, from 7:30am to 9:30 am

LOCATION: at the corner of 22nd and Postoffice in front of the McCrory Building.

Load in will NOT begin until all booth spaces are marked.

- **Limited late arrivals Friday night:** If you do not check-in and pick up your packet before 9 p.m. Friday night and plan to load-in before artist check-in opens Saturday morning, you will be considered a late arrival.
- We reserve the right to limit the number of late arrivals.
- In order to check in after 9pm on Friday, October 20th, you will need to make advance arrangements with festival staff. Galveston Police Department officers will be on site for security purposes. If arrangements for late set-up are not made in advance, Police Officers will not allow you to enter the festival area to set up. Officers will have a list, and they will be checking identification before allowing anyone into the festival area after hours to load in.
- If you are a late arrival, you will need to pick-up your artist packet with your required booth sign and badges from the check in desk at the corner of 22nd and Postoffice Street in front of the McCrory building on Saturday morning between 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
- Late check-in is discouraged. Festival staff will not be available to help you in case you have questions.
- **Check In Friday, October 20, 2023 from 2:00 pm - 9:00 pm.** At the Information booth located on the corner of 22nd Street and Postoffice Street. In front of giant mural.
- **Check In Saturday, October 21, 2023 from 7:30 am - 9:30 am.** At the Information booth located on the corner of 22nd Street and Postoffice Street. In front of giant mural.
- **NO SET-UP IS ALLOWED AFTER 9:00 am OPENING DAY, Saturday October 21, 2023 All vehicles MUST be out of festival site no later than 9 am**

Parking (Saturday, October 21 and Sunday October 22, 2023)

- **Festival Provided Parking**
Reserved parking for artists will be located in parking lots located on map in your packet. You will be given one parking ticket for each day and only one per paid booth space. Parking tickets are provided with your welcome packet. Please keep track of your parking tickets as we cannot provide replacements. If you need additional parking for a trailer you must pay for that on your own. You may purchase at the information booth. The cost is \$5 per space. Parking lots are in close proximity to the Festival. A parking map will be included in your packet.

Load-In Instructions

GENERAL RULES & PROCEDURES

Traffic is ONE-WAY on Postoffice Street

Please park as close as possible to your booth space; we realize this can be difficult sometimes. Please unload your stuff on sidewalk close to your booth and move your vehicle.

You have ONE hour to unload your vehicle. You will have a large name tag for your car dash board in your artist packet. Please put it in the window of your car. This will be monitored by festival staff and volunteers. Please unload your vehicle in a timely manner, move your vehicle as soon as you have unloaded your booth on the sidewalk and come back to finish set-up. Do not unload into someone else's booth space or park on top of another artist booth.

PLEASE BE PATIENT AND CONSIDERATE OF YOUR FELLOW ARTISTS. With such a high volume of exhibiting artists arriving at one time, we need to work together to make load-in as smooth as possible. **All vehicles must be off site by 9pm Friday, October 20th No cars will be permitted after 9am on Saturday, October 21st, and no set-up is allowed after 9 am opening day.**

- **EVENING LOAD-IN on Friday October 20th, begins at 2:00pm or as soon as all booth spaces are marked. We will send an email if we are able to allow artist to set up earlier than 2:00pm.**

You may not set up until all booth spaces are marked.

Vehicles are allowed to enter the festival for load-in through the **main gate located at 23rd and Postoffice Street. Postoffice is a one-way street heading East.**

You will also be able to enter the venue on 22nd and Church and 22nd Market. All traffic on Postoffice Street moves East.

Helpful Hints for a Smoother Load-In

- Place large name tag on car dash. So we may be able to identify that you are with the Festival and who's car it is.
- Once you have unloaded your vehicle, please move your vehicle out of the festival area as soon as possible. This will ease congestion.
- Do not unload your vehicle into someone else's booth space. It's Murphy's Law that they will show up when you have your stuff piled in their booth area.
- Find your booth before you drive into the festival area for load-in and please drive slowly. Since the festival is on a one-way street, if you inadvertently pass your booth space, you will need to circle through the area again.

Security

- 24-hour security will be provided by Galveston Police Department officers beginning Friday at load-in through the Festival and load-out on Sunday evening. All entrances and exits will be monitored.
- While every effort is made to ensure the safety of you and your artwork, we encourage vigilance while on site and request you do not leave your artwork, cash machines, credit card slips, receipts, etc. unattended. In the event of a theft or lost item, please text or call 409-457-9780.

Festival Hours

- **Hours:** Saturday, October 21, 2023 – 10am to 6 pm.
Sunday, October 22, 2023 - 10 am to 5 pm.

Load-Out Instructions

- Break down will begin no earlier than 5:30 pm on Sunday, October 22, 2023
- Prior to vehicle access in your area, each artist must break down artwork and tent and put artwork and tent on the sidewalk. Festival staff must give you approval before you may enter site.
- Vehicles may enter the site for load-out through Gate located at 22nd Street and Church Street. If your booth is located on Postoffice street you may enter venue at 23rd Street and Postoffice Street (this is a one way street)
- Your vehicle will only be allowed in the festival for one hour for loading. This will be monitored by staff and volunteers.
- Please be courteous to and patient with your fellow artists. We are all in the same situation, and we need to work together.
- Please pull in as close as you can to your booth.
- Traffic is ONE-WAY down Postoffice Street going East. If you are on 22nd please drive through straight across don't turn down Postoffice if possible.
- **Streets must be cleared by 8 p.m. on Sunday, October 22, 2022.**
- Our security coverage ends once the streets are reopened.

Booth Signs

- A booth sign will be provided in your packet and must be posted visibly in your booth.

Artist Hospitality Breakfast

- We will provide complimentary coffee and pastries from 7:30am to 9:00am on Saturday and Sunday at the corner of 22nd and Postoffice Street next to the check-in table. A hospitality table will be set up on side walk by The Grand 1894 Opera House.

Sales Tax Information

- **You will be responsible for collecting and paying sales tax of 8.25% on all items that you sell.** Galveston has a city sales tax of 2%, and Texas state sales tax is 6.25%. Galveston Island sales tax and Texas state sales tax are not filed separately. All sales taxes are filed through the Texas Comptroller's Office.
- **All Artists must have a valid Texas Sales Tax Permit**, which can be obtained through the Texas Comptroller's Office. You can obtain one online by following this link: <http://www.window.state.tx.us> and clicking on the "[Apply for a sales tax permit](#)" link located towards the bottom of the list in the middle of the page.
- **Artists are responsible for collecting and paying State Sales Tax.** You can contact the Texas Comptroller's Office with questions at (800) 252-5555 or check their website at <http://www.window.state.tx.us>. Under the "I Want To..." section of the Comptroller's Office website, the first link on the list, [File/pay sales and other taxes with WebFile](#), allows you to file/pay your State Sales Tax online.

Artist Survey

- In an effort to improve our event we will be sending an artist survey via email. You will receive it the week after the festival. Please take time to fill it out. It will be short but will help us make our event better. You will also receive a sunshine magazine review card. Please take time to fill this out as well.

Amenities

- Galveston Police Department officers provide 24-hour security starting at load-in through complete load-out
- Booth-sitting provided you must text 409-457-9780 to request sitter
- Artist Hospitality table will provide complimentary coffee and pastries which will be served Saturday 7:30am to 9:00am and Sunday 9am to 11am
- Admission: adults \$5, children 12 and under are FREE
- Festival features Hands on art activities for kids
- Live Music
- Free booth space to high school / college programs for emerging artist
- Booth Fees: \$200 for single and \$400 for double

Hotel Information

(Please note that this is a sample list of properties, and does not constitute an endorsement of any property by ARToberFEST)

Comfort Suites

3606 89th Street

Galveston, Texas 77554

Local: (409) 741-9977

Reservations: (888)939-8680

Website: www.comfortsuites.com/hotel-galveston-texas-TX885

Courtyard by Marriott

9550 Seawall Blvd

Galveston, Texas 77554

Book via Phone:

Local: (409) 497-2850

Website: www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/glscy-courtyard-galveston-island-gulf-front

Commodore on the Beach

3618 Seawall Blvd.

Galveston, Texas 77550

Book via Phone:

Local: (409) 763.2375

Website: www.commodoreonthebeach.com

Hotel Information continued

Double Tree

1702 Seawall Blvd.
Galveston, Texas 77550
Local: (409) 762-4141
Website: www.galvestonbeachhotel.com

Clarion Pointe Galveston Seawall -

2300 Seawall Blvd.
Galveston, Texas 77551
Book via Phone:
Local: (409) 356-9853
Website: www.choicehotels.com/texas/galveston/clarion-hotels/tx296

Inn At The Water Park

2525 Jones Drive
Galveston, Texas 77554
Book via Phone:
Local: (409) 740-1155
Website: www.innatthewaterpark.com

Townplace Suites

9450 Seawall Blvd
Galveston, Texas 77551
Book via Phone:
Local: (409) 497-2840
Website: www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/glsts-towneplace-suites-galveston-island-gulf-front

Moody Gardens Hotel

7 Hope Blvd
Galveston, Texas 77554
Book via Phone:
Local: (409) 741-8484
Reservations: 1-888-388-8484
Website: www.moodygardens.com

Tremont House

2300 Mechanic St.
Galveston, TX 77550
Book via phone:
Local:(409) 763-0300
www.thetremonthouse.com

San Luis Hotel and Resort

5222 Seawall Blvd.
Galveston, TX 77551
Book via phone:
Local:(409) 744-1500
www.sanluisresort.com

RV Park Information

(Please note that this is a sample list of properties, and does not constitute an endorsement of any property by ARToberFEST)

Please check with individual properties for pricing and availability. RV park reviews can be found online at sites such as: <http://www.rvparkreviews.com/regions/Texas/Galveston.html>

Bayou Shores RV Resort

6310 Heard's Ln.

Galveston, TX 77551

888-744-2837

<http://www.bayoushoresrvresort.com/>

Galveston Island State RV Park

14901 FM 3005

Galveston, TX 77554

409-737-1222

<http://www.galvestonislandstatepark.org/>

Dellanera RV Park

10901 San Luis Pass Rd.

Galveston, TX 77554

409-797-5102

<http://www.galveston.com/dellanera/>

Sandpiper RV Resort

Seawall @ Ferry Rd.

Galveston, Texas

409-765-9431

<http://sandpiperrvresort.com/>

Galveston Island KOA Holiday

23700 Termini-San Luis Pass Rd,

Galveston, TX 77554

(409) 200-2745

<https://koa.com/campgrounds/galveston/>

Additional lodging information

an be found at www.galveston.com

Helpful Information

Home Depot

702 65th Street
Galveston, Texas
409-744-4895

Wal-Mart

6702 Seawall Blvd.
Galveston Texas
409-744-8677

Target

6128 Broadway Blvd.
Galveston, Texas
409-740-0102

Kroger Grocery Store

5730 Seawall Blvd.
Galveston, Texas 77551
409-741-8580

Randall's Grocery Store

2931 Central City Blvd.
Galveston, Texas
409-744-0413

Walgreen's with a 24 hour pharmacy

308 Seawall Blvd.
Galveston, Texas
409-763-3588

Taxi Service

Yellow Cab Services
409-763-3333

Texaco

1928 Broadway St
Galveston, TX 77555
409-765-9720

UTMB Hospital ER

901 Harborside Dr
Galveston, TX 77550
409- 772-1191

West Isle Urgent Care Clinic

2027 61st St.
Galveston, TX 77551
409-744-9800

Mod Coffee House

2126 Postoffice Street
Galveston, Texas
409-765-5659

Galveston Pack and Ship

527 21st Street
Galveston, Texas
409-765-6165

Hospitality ER

4222 Seawall Blvd
Galveston, Texas 77551
409-766-1212

Restaurants

Some staff favorites near the festival:

Prices range from \$ Inexpensive to \$\$\$\$ More Expensive

The Spot \$\$

3204 Seawall Blvd.
409-621-5237

Eat Cetera \$\$

408 25th Street
409-762-0805

Trattoria La Vigna \$\$

412 20th St
409-497-4927

Lolo Kai Smoothies and Wraps \$

528 23rd St.
409-539-5664

Float Patio Bar \$

2828 Sewall Blvd.
409-765-7946

Saltwater Grill \$\$

2117 Postoffice Street
409-762-3474

Rudy & Pacos \$\$

2028 Post Office Street
409-762-3696

Sky Bar (Sushi Bar) \$\$

2105 Post Office Street
409-621-4759

Gypsy Joynt \$

2711 Market Street
409-497-2069

Taquilos \$\$

2101 Post Office Street
409-497-4279

The Black Pearl \$\$

327 23rd Street
409-762-6676

Little Daddy's Gumbo bar \$

2107 Postoffice St
409- 744-8626

Mosquito Café \$\$

628 14th Street
409-763-1010

Queen's BBQ \$\$

5428 Ave S
409-762-3151

Sunflower Bakery \$\$

5121 14th Street
409-763-5500

Scholtzsky's \$

500 Seawall Blvd.
409-763-6173

Shy KatZ Deli & Bakery \$\$

1528 Ave L
409-770-0500

Coastal Grill \$\$

1827 Strand St
Phone: 409-765-5386

Pho20 Vietnamese Restaurant \$\$

2101 Broadway
409-750-9200

Mario's \$\$

628 Seawall Blvd.
409-763-2825

La Mixteca \$

1818 Mechanic
409-762-2255

Yaga's Restaurant \$

2314 Strand
409-762-7299

Covid-19

Terms & Conditions for participation in ARToberFEST Galveston:

By agreeing to participate in ARToberFEST I am accepting to the following terms and conditions. Any public location where people are present provides an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19, despite additional precautions in place to mitigate this risk; we cannot guarantee that you will not be exposed to COVID-19 during the event. The process of purchasing a booth at ARToberFEST Galveston means that you hereby agree to comply with all rules and all health and safety guidelines which are communicated to you while participating in ARToberFEST held by The Grand 1894 Opera House, including but not limited to: 1. "Social distancing" must be practiced. 2. Face coverings must be worn at all times if mandated by the city. 2. Artist will not come to ARToberFEST if: - they have tested positive for COVID within 14 days before ARToberFEST - they have been in contact with anyone who tested positive for COVID within the 14 days before ARToberFEST - they have any COVID symptoms such as fever/chills; cough; difficulty breathing; fatigue; headache; loss of taste or smell; sore throat; congestion; nausea/vomiting/diarrhea - they have traveled outside US within 14 days before ARToberFEST. Artist also agrees to release and forever discharge ARToberFEST, the City of Galveston and the other sponsoring organizations and any other duly appointed representatives and employees, agents and officers of each from any responsibility, personal liability, loss or damages arising out of or in connection with ARToberFEST. In consideration of my desire to present my work as an artist at ARToberFEST I hereby assume all responsibility for any and all risk arising out of or in conjunction with this event. I acknowledge that risks include, but are not limited to, property damage, bodily injury, weather conditions, contact with other participants including all risks related to illness and infectious diseases, such as COVID-19 and use of equipment and facilities of ARToberFEST, or its suppliers. Further, I grant permission to all of the foregoing to use any photographs, videos, or other records of this event for any legitimate or promotional purpose without compensation to me. I also grant permission to ARToberFEST to send email, text or phone messages regarding any necessary weekend Festival information. I currently have no known mental or physical condition that would impair my capability for full participation as intended or expected of me. I have carefully read the foregoing release and indemnification and understand the contents thereof. I expressly agree that this release, waiver and indemnity agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the State of Texas, and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts, I, for myself and my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, hereby release, waive and discharge ARToberFEST, and The Grand 1894 Opera House and the City of Galveston and their respective Board of Directors, officers, directors, employees, agents, volunteers and sponsors from all claims or liability of any kind arising out of my participation in ARToberFEST even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons named in this waiver.