

LES ANNÉES FOLLES!

CALL TO ARTISTS

The Accidental Gallery and The Thomasville Visitor's Center have teamed up to offer an exciting exhibit to celebrate the Thomasville Rose Show's & Festival's 95th year! Begun in 1922, the Rose Show & Festival has been a fixture for Thomasville residents and surrounding communities, bringing thousands of visitors to Thomasville each year.

The Theme

The 1920s were an age of dramatic social and political change. After the austerity and bloodshed of The Great War, Europe and America longed for joy and lightheartedness. This zeal for extravagance and partying is why the era was named *Les Années Folles* in France (literally, 'the 'crazy years') and *The Roaring Twenties* here in the USA.

Artists are asked to reflect on the positive and pivotal 1920s, capture the enchantment of the era as it relates to Thomasville, and harness the excitement that the Rose Show & Festival has brought to the South for nearly a century.

The art show will hang in the Thomasville Visitor's Center from April 2 through May 2. The Center's staff will be on site from 9-5 weekdays and from 10-3 on Saturdays to answer questions about the exhibit and explain how you can be contacted. *All sales are between the artists and the customers.*

Artist Inspiration

- The 1st Prize winner's art will be honored by the Thomasville Visitor's Center as a commemorative piece and may become a marketing piece for the Destination Thomasville Tourism Authority and the Visitors Center. The artist's signature will be visible on any marketing items.
- **NO COMMISSION WILL BE CHARGED.** All sales are between you and the buyer.
- All accepted artists are invited to exhibit *free of charge* in **Art in the Park** (a \$100 value) on Saturday, April 23, 2016 (weather permitting) from 9-3. Artists may sell work from a 15'x15' area. The equipment needed to set up (tables, tents, racks, etc.) will be the artist's responsibility. Be creative! An attractive booth boosts sales!
- Three prizes will be awarded to the winners of *Les Années Folles*.
 - 1st PRIZE** \$200 Downtown Dollars and the use of your image throughout the year as the representational piece for the 2016 Rose Show & Festival
 - 2nd PRIZE** \$100 Downtown Dollars
 - 3rd PRIZE** \$50 Downtown Dollars

Downtown Dollars can be spent in the historic downtown at over 65 participating shops and 18 restaurants. See the **Participant Directory**.

Artist Reception on Friday, April 1, 2016

The Artist Reception will be held in the historic downtown with libations, light fare, and live music. Coinciding with a Thomasville *First Friday* event, the reception is expected to generate a huge crowd with tremendous exposure. Artists are strongly encouraged to attend.

Requirements

Entries may be any 2-dimensional, framed and wired imagery that embodies the spirit of 95 years of the roses and/or the Thomasville Rose Show & Festival. All work must be original. No prints or giclées will be accepted. Artists may do work in any medium that can be hung on the wall and meet the weight and size restrictions. All submissions must be priced by the artist, or marked NFS (not for sale). Maximum weight is 50 (fifty) pounds, and the work cannot be longer on any framed side than 72 inches. Artists will be instructed when and where to deliver/pick up their work in their acceptance package which will be sent via e-mail no later than March 23. Selected artists must drop off finished work to the Thomasville Visitor's Center by noon on March 30.

Submission

Digital or mailed submission must be received by Tuesday, March 22 (the earlier the better) for consideration. Artists will receive confirmation no later than Wednesday, March 23. Artists may submit up to three pieces; the non-refundable submission fee is \$30 per entry.

Presentation

Simple black frames are requested. If you prefer to present your work in some other fashion, please let Sandi Shaw know in advance. All work must be ready to hang using wire. Absolutely no sawtooth hangers will be accepted.

Thank you for participating in **Les Années Folles!**
Application Form Follows

Submit By Email

Scan completed *Les Années Folles* application. Attach application and JPG submission images and send to **Sandi.Shaw444@gmail.com**.

Credit card payments can be arranged by calling Sandi at **816-309-5131**.

Submit By Post

Complete *Les Années Folles* application. Enclose color-accurate photographs (or submit JPG images to **Sandi.Shaw444@gmail.com**). Also, enclose check or money order, payable to Sandi Shaw. Mail to: **Sandi Shaw, 1304 Old Monticello Rd, Thomasville, GA 31792**.

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APPLICATION

The deadline for all artwork is March 22, 2016.
You will hear back no later than March 23 as to acceptance status
and exhibition specifics. Application fee is \$30 per entry.

Name _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Image 1 Title _____

Price _____ Medium _____ Size _____

Image 2 Title _____

Price _____ Medium _____ Size _____

Image 3 Title _____

Price _____ Medium _____ Size _____

- I give permission to the Thomasville Rose Festival to use my images for publicity. _____
please initial
- I understand that The Accidental Gallery, the Thomasville Visitor's Center and the Rose Show & Festival will not be responsible for loss or damage. _____
please initial
- If I win first place I give permission to the Rose Show & Festival and Visitor's Center to use an image of my winning work to celebrate the founding of the Rose Show. _____
please initial

Print Name _____

Signature _____

