



# Call to Artists

SATURDAY and SUNDAY

**February 6 & 7**

Flagler Park - Okeechobee, Florida

Top of the Lake Art Fest  
GALLERY TENT ADULT DIVISION  
18 years of age and over

You are invited to enter the Top of the Lake Art Fest to be held in Flagler Park  
This is a two day show - Saturday and Sunday, February 6 & 7, 2021  
This is an Art Contest for local and area adult artists - rules apply.

## Art Categories

2-D (Oils, Watercolor, Acrylics, Drawing) - Photography

3-D (Clay/Pottery, Sculpture, Jewelry & Mixed Media)

All entries must be the original work of the person submitting the art.  
Please refer to Top of the Lake Art Fest Rules & Regulations.

**ENTRY FEE: \$ 10.00 per art entry**

No more than 3 entries per artist are permitted. See rules for size limitations.

**ENTRY DEADLINE: January 26 and 27, 2021**

## See below on how to enter your work:

All art pieces you are entering, application and fees **MUST** be brought in person to the **Okeechobee Main Street NEW Office at 111 NE 2nd Street during on following dates and hours:**

Tuesday, January 26, 2021 | 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Wednesday, January 27, 2021 | 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

**NO EXCEPTIONS TO DEADLINES**

**QUALIFIED ART WILL BE ACCEPTED, MARKED AND CATALOGED FOR ENTRANCE TO TOP OF THE LAKE ART FEST.**

EACH ACCEPTED ARTIST WILL RECEIVE THEIR ARTIST'S INFORMATION PACKAGE.

Top of the Lake Art Fest reserves the right to refuse any artwork that does not follow Top of the Lake Art Fest Guidelines - Please read all the rules.

**Presented by Okeechobee Main Street Arts & Culture Alliance**

## Drop Off Location

Okeechobee Main Street Office:  
111 NE 2nd Street (The Yellow Cottage)  
Okeechobee, Florida

**[www.okeechobeemainstreet.org](http://www.okeechobeemainstreet.org)**

For any questions or where to get additional forms please call or email:

863-357-6246

Email: [art@okeechobeemainstreet.org](mailto:art@okeechobeemainstreet.org)  
Bridgette Waldau, Arts & Culture Alliance Chair

# **RULES & REGULATIONS - Please read carefully.**

## **Top of the Lake Art Fest Art Contest**

### **GALLERY TENT ADULT DIVISION**

**These rules apply for acceptance to the Top of the Lake Art Fest - Gallery Tent Adult Division.** The Top of the Lake Art Fest is a juried Fine Art Show, presented by Okeechobee Main Street, Inc. The purpose of this division of the Art Fest is to showcase local and area fine artists to the community of Okeechobee, Florida. Top of the Lake Art Fest will take place North of beautiful Lake Okeechobee in Flagler Park, a lovely park located in the heart of the City.

This contest is open to local and area adult artists 18 years of age and over, (**professional commercial artists and professional photographers are only eligible to participate in the booth artist division**). Selected artist's work will be on display in a gallery tent during the Top of the Lake Art Fest. The gallery tent will be attended and supervised by Top of the Lake Art Fest authorized volunteers. Artists in this contest category will not be required to stay with their work during the exhibit.

All work will be judged before Top of the Lake Art Fest opens. Award Ribbons will be displayed on the artwork throughout the duration of the show. Artists will be allowed to sell their work. To insure impartiality on the judging, judges will be from out of the area.

All artwork must be the original creation of the applicant. Art must be current creations - no more than 2 years old. Only artists selected by Top of the Lake Art Fest Committee may exhibit work within the Top of the Lake Art Fest.

**Fine Art Categories: (2-D)** Oils, Watercolor, Acrylics & Drawing - **Photography** - **(3-D)** Clay/Pottery, Sculpture, Mixed Media.

**Entry Fee:** \$10.00 per artwork entered. Artists may enter no more than three (3) pieces of art. NO REFUNDS ON ENTRY FEES.

**AWARDS:** BEST OF SHOW, 1st, and 2nd, EXCELLENT AND MERIT Awards IN EACH CATEGORY

(Top of the Lake Art Fest reserves the right to alter awards and prize money to comply with the number of entries in each of the categories.)

**The following items are NOT acceptable:** Objects or crafts assembled from kits, pre-carved or pre-molded reproductions, manufactured parts, buy-sell, and commercially produced items. No ceramics cast from commercial molds, velvet paintings, painted copies of "old masters," mirrors, rocks, shells, découpage, dough art, picture frames, photographs which have been widely published. No wooden toys, clothing hats, jewelry made of forks, spoons or coins, embellished items such as decorated or painted boxes, furniture, frames, tools, T-shirts, découpage, candles, clothing. This is not a craft show, please call Okeechobee Main Street if you have any questions regarding your art.

**All 2-dimensional art works must be PROPERLY FRAMED and WIRED for hanging-no exceptions. Art may be declined if not properly framed for hanging.** Size limit of no more than 30" x 40" on 2-D Art. Space is limited on 3-D art work. Extreme large pieces may be declined. Please call if you have any questions regarding the size of the 3-D work you want to enter. 3-dimensional pieces must be accompanied by suitable bases. All works must be finished, dry and suitable for exhibition.

All artwork chosen for the exhibit and award ribbons must remain on display for the duration of the two (2) day Art Fest. Artist's packet will include directions on picking up art work at the END of the Top of the Lake Art Fest. Work may **not** leave the show earlier than pick-up time. Identification will be required for pick up.

**Official Application** form required to enter this contest. (Attached to this sheet). Artist's packet will be given to all artists accepted in the show. This packet will outline all rules and instructions for participation in the show and pick up of art.

**Identification:** Each piece of art must have the artist's name, complete address, phone numbers and title of work firmly attached to the back (bottom on 3-D art, such as pottery or sculpture). If selling your work, it must be noted on the entry form that it is for sale, along with the price.

You may sell your work if you like. All artwork displayed for sale will be marked with price, and must have a artist's contact information available during the Top of the Lake Art Fest, so that interested buyers can contact the artist directly. No commission will be collected. Artists are responsible for the collection and reporting of any applicable Florida Sales Tax (7%).

Top of the Lake Art Fest Committee maintains the right to review all art work, and check artist's ID's to insure that they are in accordance with the Top of the Lake Art Fest rules. A work determined as unacceptable or deemed inappropriate will not be accepted for display to the public at the Top of the Lake Art Fest. Every effort will be made to accept all qualified art pieces into the show. However, if space becomes an issue, Top of the Lake Art Fest committee reserves the right to streamline the accepted art. All decisions are final. Okeechobee Main Street, Inc. will make every reasonable attempt to safeguard the artists' work and will be locked up when not on display. Police cars patrol the surrounding area after hours, however, Okeechobee Main Street, Inc. assumes no responsibility for loss or damage.



**OFFICIAL ART CONTEST APPLICATION**  
**GALLERY TENT ADULT DIVISION**  
 18 years of age and over.

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 February 6 & 7, 2021  
 Flagler Park - Okeechobee, Florida

**RULES APPLY - PLEASE READ ALL RULES & REGULATIONS**  
 (No more than 3 pieces per artist allowed)

**Deadline: January 25-26, 2021**

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

Name _____ Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____ Phone(s) Home _____ Cell _____ Work _____ E-mail _____	<p align="center"><b>ARTWORK - Entry # 1</b></p> Title _____ Medium _____ Size _____ FOR SALE? Y__ N__ Price: _____  <b>ACCEPTED BY:</b> _____  <b>CD REF. #</b> _____
<p align="center"><b>ARTWORK - Entry # 2</b></p> Title _____ Medium _____ Size _____ FOR SALE? Y__ N__ Price: _____  <b>ACCEPTED BY:</b> _____  <b>CD REF. #</b> _____	<p align="center"><b>ARTWORK - Entry # 3</b></p> Title _____ Medium _____ Size _____ FOR SALE? Y__ N__ Price: _____  <b>ACCEPTED BY:</b> _____  <b>CD REF. #</b> _____

By signing this application, the artist acknowledges having received and read the rules governing the Top of the Lake Art Fest and agrees to abide by them. I do hereby release and hold harmless Okeechobee Main Street, Inc., Top of the Lake Art Fest Committee and the City of Okeechobee of and from any and all manner of actions, suits, damages or claims whatsoever arising from any loss or damage to my artwork. **I declare and avow that the art I am submitting to the Top of the Lake Art Fest - Adult Contest Division is my own original art work.**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Application Fee: \$ 10.00 per art entry  
 Max. 3 pieces per artist allowed.

# Entries \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

All entry fees used towards the prizes.

Payment Recd. By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to:**  
**Okeechobee Main Street**

Entry Fee(s) Non-Refundable



## **2021 Top of the Lake Art Fest ADDRESSING COVID-19 CONCERNS**

Okeechobee County has reported fairly low numbers of Covid -19 cases in comparison to other counties in Florida, however we plan to make sure the Top of the Lake Art Fest is a safe event and want you to feel comfortable participating. You can Google “Okeechobee County, Florida Covid-19 cases” and you will be directed to the latest statistics.

The Top of the Lake Art Fest takes place in spacious Flagler Park. This is an outdoor event and is planned with the safety of both exhibitors and the attending public as the top priority. The safety plan approved by Okeechobee County for this event adheres closely to CDC guidelines, and includes a number of key components including:

- The doubling in size of the event layout to permit 10+ ft. spacing between booths.
- The requirement that all exhibitors be masked while attendees are in and around the exhibitor’s tent; have hand sanitizer on hand to augment the sanitizing stations provided by the event; and recommend social distancing within and around the tent area.
- Signs at the event will recommend that all attendees be masked and adhere to social distancing.
- Mask will be required in the Gallery Tent with limitations of the number entering at one time and the gallery will be marked out for 6ft. distancing.

### **What happens if we have to reschedule or cancel the Top of the Lake Art Fest.**

We will offer booth fee credits or refunds if the Art Fest is canceled due to any updated CDC guidelines.

If we need to cancel or reschedule the Art Fest due to COVID-19, you will have 2 options:

- (1) Booth fee will be credited and can be used if we reschedule for later date in 2021.
- (2) Booth fee will be refunded.

During the COVID-19 Pandemic, as soon as we know that this event will need to be canceled or changed, we will immediately notify exhibitors and continue to keep in close communication.

The safety of our exhibitors, staff and patrons is our number one priority.

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact us.



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Questions?  
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