



Membership Details

The Vine Arts Center is a non-profit, creative organization run by unpaid members. The VAC provides artists and neighborhood organizations with a common meeting place in an artistic environment that will build community spirit through art and related activities and resources.

Benefits of becoming a VAC Member Include :

- Eligible to participate in **entry fee waived** VAC Member exhibitions and receive a reduced rate for open juried events with entry fees.
- Retain 80% of the sale of your artwork. Yes, the VAC's commission is only 20%!
- Use the Vine Arts Resource Center and programmed events as opportunities to network, gain business skills, and promote your art and ideas.
- Gain web visibility with a member webpage and a link to your website.
- Connect with artists from all backgrounds and people who share your enthusiasm in supporting a thriving creative community.

We are looking for a balanced membership of artists from all disciplines and career stages who share the vision and commitment to help the VAC flourish. We offer two levels of membership: **Volunteer** and **Associate**. We ask prospective members to carefully review the details and expectations of VAC membership to determine which level meets their interest and participation ability.

Our monthly member meetings are held the first Monday of the month at 7pm in the Gallery

Volunteer Membership

- \$35 annual membership fee
- Attend VAC monthly member meetings (cannot miss more than two consecutive meetings).
- Commit a minimum of 12 hours every 3 months to various VAC initiatives and administration duties (6 hours must be spent working in the gallery during open hours).
- Be actively involved with organizing a minimum of two events a year.
- Be open to offer your expertise and learn through VAC opportunities.

Associate Membership

- \$100 annual membership fee
- Attend VAC monthly member meetings (cannot miss more than two consecutive meetings).
- Be open to offer your expertise and learn through VAC opportunities.
- There is no commitment level to the amount of time spent on VAC activities, but associate members are highly encouraged to participate with events and VAC gallery hours and offer their assistance when needed.

Questions ? Please Call : 612-728-5745 or E-mail membership@vineartscenter.com



Membership Application

Name: First _____ Last: _____

Phone: _____ Type: _____

Home Address : _____

Street City State Zip

Studio Address: _____

Street City State Zip

E-mail: _____ Website: _____

I am applying for (check) : Volunteer Membership Associate Membership

General Volunteer Availability (hours/days): _____

Read through the **VAC Volunteer Membership Details** (page 1 of this application), fill out **Membership Application** and sign **Member Contract**.

Submit :

1. Written statement of introduction including why you wish to become a VAC Member, how you wish to contribute, and what you hope to gain. (No more than one page)
2. Artist statement or biography or combination of both. (No more than two pages total).
3. Samples of work : For visual artists : five to ten labeled jpeg images of your work on CD.
For performance/music artists : CD/DVD with samples of audio/video work.
For written/spoken word : CD and paper copy of your writing samples.
4. Check for written out to Vine Arts Center: (\$35 for Volunteer, \$100 for Associate)

Mail or drop-off (Studio 226, under door) Application to:

Vine Arts Center 2637 27th Avenue South Minneapolis, MN 55406

Include a self-addressed envelope if you would like materials returned if not accepted. Materials of accepted members will be used in the Vine Arts Members' book and website.

Applications will be reviewed at the next scheduled monthly board meeting with final approval at the monthly member meeting. Applicants may be asked to meet for a personal interview. We will do our best to notify applicants in a timely manner. Application fee will be returned if your membership is not approved.

Member Contract:

I agree to adhere to the requirements outlined in the VAC Membership Details and also understand that my continued membership is dependent upon my fulfilling the membership requirements of my level of membership and treating the VAC space and members with respect. I understand and agree that I may be suspended from VAC activities and my membership may be discontinued and all fees paid forfeited if I fail to meet these requirements.

Date: _____ Applicant Signature _____