



High Cotton Arts  
103 West Washington Street  
Athens, Alabama 35611

## APPLICATION FOR ARTIST STUDIO SPACE

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

Artist & Business (if applicable) name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_ Work or Home#: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

If employed, please list place of employment:

\_\_\_\_\_

If represented by a gallery or business, where?

\_\_\_\_\_

Description of Work – Medium(s) (if multiple, use images of all types):

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High Cotton Arts requires a \$40 non-refundable application fee. ALL applications will remain on file 6 months for further consideration. CHECKS payable to: **SOA Athens Arts League**. Submit application, digital portfolio and fee to:

High Cotton Arts  
Attention: Athens Arts League,  
103 W. Washington St. Athens, AL 35611

ARTIST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

**Submit with Application**

**Digital or printed images** of at least 3, but no more than 5 examples of EACH media of your work.

- Place digital images on a CD or jump drive, with the title of the image as the file name.
- Files should be good quality jpeg, pdf, or png graphics.
- Titles, sizes, medium, and dates of work should be listed on the area provided.

Include a brief **ARTIST STATEMENT**. Include a statement of your creative purpose and where do you see that purpose in approximately two years?

Please include two (2) character **references** with phone number:

1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

An anonymous panel of professional artists, art educators and art collectors will jury artist application. This selection process is not a critique nor will artist receive criticism about why they were not selected.

**BACKGROUND CHECKS** will be required.

If juried in, HCA requires a signed twelve (12) month lease plus a refundable deposit per space. Deposit is refundable if terms on the lease are met.

Artists are expected to spend a minimum of eight (8) hours most weeks working in the studio, especially during public hours, and at least one (1) volunteer hour per week in HCA. All tenants are also expected to share reasonable janitorial and managerial duties.

Most importantly, artists are expected to foster a collaborative environment within the HCA community and work to attract public interest toward HCA. Artists are encourage and responsible for marking their own business. Athens Arts League will also advertise, schedule events and offer education opportunities as deemed necessary to foster the incubator's advancement.

ARTIST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

IMAGES OF EACH MEDIA: (indicate title, medium, size, & date of completion)

MEDIA: \_\_\_\_\_

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ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY

ARTIST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

**CHECK LIST**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Review High Cotton Policies
- \_\_\_\_\_ Images (Description and digital files if applicable)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Artist Statement
- \_\_\_\_\_ References
- \_\_\_\_\_ Completed and Signed Application
- \_\_\_\_\_ Application Fee

With your signature you acknowledge that all of the above information is accurate and up to date. I have read and agree with the policies of High Cotton Arts Center.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

High Cotton Arts offers opportunities for education, art exhibition, networking and access to numerous art professionals with a unique setting that offers artists the opportunity to create and expand their professional development.

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**For internal use**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Received by \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Application Fee Paid: Check \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

Work Accepted \_\_\_\_\_ Denied \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **HIGH COTTON ARTS CENTER POLICIES & STANDARD STUDIO SAFETY**

- All tenants are required to sign and adhere to the High Cotton Arts lease.
- No kit crafts allowed.
- Studios are workspaces and never to be used as living spaces.
- Use of the INSTRUCTIONAL AREA requires a reservation and a \$30 fee per 3 hours for all tenant artists and \$60 for non-tenant artists.
- GALLERY /exhibit is available for all tenant artists at no charge (less transaction fees), but limited to 3 large or 6 small art pieces to be changed/rotated each month and \$45 per month for all non-tenants. Exact sizes TBD.
- Work is not permitted in other studios, instructional or common areas unless space is available and permission is obtained from HCA.
- During public hours, music will be provided by HCA. Artists are encouraged to wear earphones to access their own musical choices.
- Backdoor sink only to be used for cleaning brushes, containers, etc.
- No smoking allowed in the building.
- No illegal drug use tolerated.
- All flammables and chemical wastes are to be disposed of in the provided containers.
- No open flames (candles are prohibited).
- Aisle displays are permitted within 2-3 feet of each studio.
- Do not block common area walkways or doors with your art displays or furniture.
- Provide for safety of pedestrians in HCA by clearing and keeping aisles and common areas clear of furniture, electrical cords and debris.
- Safety goggles are recommended when working with chemicals or with any project that produces splashing or debris that can harm the eyes.
- Recommended that shoes be worn during work sessions and in all common areas.
- Know the location of fire extinguishers, safety equipment, first aid kit, and nearest exits.
- Avoid contact of chemicals with skin. The use of rubber gloves is recommended with use of chemicals.
- Clean studio area and store all flammables in proper cabinet before leaving.
- Put trash and debris in trash containers.
- Observe common courtesy and safety of HCA and fellow artists.
- It is the responsibility of the artist to obtain a current city BUSINESS LICENSE and adhere to local and state sales tax regulations. [www.athensal.us](http://www.athensal.us)



High Cotton Arts is managed by Athens Arts League, a committee of Spirit of Athens.

For more information: Diane Lehr, 256.656.6588