## **Photographers Guild Member Gallery Exhibit Privilege**

Dated September 21, 2016

Members of the Guild whom have attained Full Membership status, not including the Introductory Year, may make a request to the Executive Committee to hold a weekend Gallery Exhibit (herein called "exhibit"). (Several members may want to consider combining personal exhibits.)

The Executive Committee shall grant final approval or denial of the exhibit. The committee shall also reserve the right to approve or deny the exhibit based on the Guild's standards of acceptable art that is to be displayed to the public. If a member feels his or her is request is unduly denied, he or she may ask the entire Guild board (all members) for a vote.

The exhibit must be a Guild-sponsored event in order to have proper liability insurance coverages.

An exhibit is considered to be the personal photographic art of the person requesting the exhibit.

The exhibit may be displayed up to a period of not more than two consecutive weekends. The member may use the entire Guild studio, and meeting room space. If the adjoining "green room" is available and permission is granted by the building owner, it may be used as well.

The exhibit cannot be an event to promote a legally established, ongoing commercial photography business.

The Guild continues to welcomes members who run an ongoing photography business. But the Guild is not positioned in any legal way to support or promote business entities. We are registered and insured as a nonprofit with a mission statement of benefitting the community. We are insured to that extent, nothing more. All Guild members are allowed to generate income from photography but the Guild may not be used as a support to any specific commercial venture.

For example, several members engage in commercial assignments but it is not their primary income. It is also not a part of their Guild participation. The Gallery Exhibit is intended to allow members display the "fine art" aspect of their photographic endeavors.

The Guild cannot and will not incur any liability for any member's commercial activities.

The member requesting the exhibit shall incur all costs for preparing the exhibit, including all marketing and advertising costs. Further, the member is responsible for readying the Guild facilities. The member may request other members to volunteer and assist with the exhibit. Lastly, the member must make sure the Guild is restored to its normal arrangement and cleanliness after the exhibit is done.

The exhibit cannot take precedent over any other Guild-sponsored event such as the Annual Millrace Contest, Taste of the Gardens weekend, etc.

The member may feature an "open house" along with a reception and hor d'oeuvres. Alcoholic beverages may be considered but only if all necessary legal permission is obtained. The Executive

Committee as well as the building owner must also be in agreement. The Guild's insurance carrier may have to be notified.

All sales must be payable to the Guild. At the end of the exhibit the Guild will pay the net sales amount to the exhibiting member, minus expenses the Guild incurs as a result of the sale. A sales tax must be added to the price of the item sold or included in the purchase price. If included in the purchase price, the Guild will retain funds equal to the sales tax equivalent. If payment is accepted by credit card, the credit card fee shall be deducted from the purchase price.

All sales are subject to a five percent commission payable to the Guild, but no more than \$100 shall be paid to the Guild.

The Guild shall as a courtesy to the exhibiting member advertise the exhibit in the monthly newsletter and its normal public relations advertising (newspapers) that are free of cost. The exhibiting member is responsible for writing ad space material as well preparing graphics if graphics are desired.