

New Member Prospectus



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Overview:

Spring Bull Gallery & Studio, founded in Newport Rhode Island in 1990, offers original fine art in many styles that reflect the diverse visions of its cooperative members. The award-winning artist members offer a diversity of style and media including watercolor, oil, pen and ink, acrylic, sculpture, wood carving, pastel, monotype, colored pencil, etching, Chinese brush painting, and porcelain. We are seeking artists working in 2-D or 3-D mediums (with the exception of photography/video) in both realist and abstract modes.

The philosophy of the gallery has been not only to provide fine art for the serious collector but also to encourage a “user-friendly” approach for those individuals new to art collecting who may otherwise be intimidated by making art selections. Visitors are encouraged to visit as often as they wish, look as long as they like and to ask questions concerning an artist or a particular piece of work. Artist members are expected to staff the gallery two days per month to engage with the visitors, answer questions and facilitate sales.

Spring Bull Gallery presents numerous shows each year; including open, juried and invitational shows. An opening reception is held the first Saturday of each show from 5 to 7 pm to which the public is invited. Spring Bull also participates in Newport Gallery Night, which often features artists demos for a ‘Meet the Artist’ event, is the second Thursday of the month from 5-8 pm.

Membership Offerings:

- Artist Members each receive an exclusive wall section (or floor space for 3-D work) on which to display their work. The display space is apportioned equally among the member artists. Current allocation is approximately 36 square feet per artist.
- Artists may arrange their display space as they wish within the guidelines below.
- Each artist will have a linked personal page on the Spring Bull Gallery website to display their information, resume, artist statement, sample images of work etc.
- Artists will be periodically highlighted in SBG marketing and advertising media.
- Artists may set their own prices for their artwork.
- Artists will receive 70% of all sales of their artwork; the gallery will receive 30% commission.

Membership Responsibilities:

- Members must be available to staff the gallery two days per month (gallery hours are 12:00-5:00 pm).
- Presentation of member’s artwork
 - Artwork must be original, no giclee or other reproductions allowed.

- Artwork must be professionally presented, hung with proper wiring, name of artist, and title of work marked on back. *[no sawtooth hangers, clip-on, scratched or damaged frames accepted]*.
- Framed works on paper must be under glass or acrylic glazing.
- Works on stretcher bars must be properly stretched, framed, and wired for hanging.
- Framing is optional for gallery wrapped or cradled panels.
- All works should be for sale.
- The artist is expected to periodically update and replace work to keep a fresh appearance.
- Members are expected to assist in the operation of the gallery. Member contributions are primarily from active participation in one or more of the gallery committees.
- Members will attend a monthly SBG membership group meeting.
- Members are expected to attend gallery show Opening Receptions and occasional other events to assist in hosting gallery guests.
- Members each pay \$75.00 per month membership fee.

Application Requirements

- Submit the information below to studio@springbullgallery.com, subject: Membership Application
- Include a sample portfolio of 5 electronic images for review as advised by SBG (size: 300 dpi and minimum 1mb file size). Identify each file with your name, title, medium, size and price. (ex.: *LastFirstName_Hanging Rock_ Oil_8x10_\$ 300*).
- Submit your artist bio and/or artist statement along with your information below.

Name:

Mailing Address:

Email address:

Phone:

Website:

Social Media:

Primary Medium(s):

Please feel free to drop by any time to visit Spring Bull Gallery. Applicants who are under consideration will be notified by email and will be invited to visit the gallery and meet the members.