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CALL FOR ARTISTS: Wine Capital Art Walk

The Oliver Community Arts Council along with Oliver Tourism and Downtown Businesses is proud to present the **Wine Capital Art Walk** as part of the Okanagan Spring Wine Festival! The main event occurs on the evening of **Thursday May 10** from **6 – 8 p.m.** Artists in a variety of media **Display** and / or **Demonstrate** their best work, sharing space with downtown businesses in the 6200 block of Main Street (north of the Fairview Road intersection). As was the case last year, the art walk will also include wine tastings, live music, draws, children's art activities, food vendors, and live art demonstrations.

One of the main attractions at the Wine Capital Art Walk is the **Wine Barrel Art** demonstration and silent auction, running **Monday May 7 – Thursday May 10**. The live art event features up to 15 skilled artists who transform wine barrels into cherished works of art. They work daily from 10 – 4 p.m. on Main Street. Their activity is entertaining, educational and also promotes the art walk later in the week. Silent auction bids are accepted all week long and the finished barrels are sold to the highest bidders on the Thursday evening.

This **Call for Artists** is open to all visual media: photography, digital media,, three-dimensional art such as pottery, sculpture, mixed media installations, metalwork, woodwork, jewelry and other artisan crafts; fibre and fabric arts, such as quilting, weaving, spinning, clothing/fashion; painting including acrylics, oils, watercolours; and mixed / other two dimensional media, such as charcoal, ink, encaustic, and collage. Space may also be available for performing arts: street theatre and improv, dance, street musicians, and other performers. NOTE: This component will be limited by available space and noise level.

All artwork must be display ready. Sale pieces are welcome. Artists must be present during the event and take responsibility for their own sales.

Artists are invited to apply in one of two categories: as a **Display / Demo Artist** or as a **Wine Barrel Artist**. One low entry fee. NO commission charged for Display Artists. To cover barrel costs, a commission will be charged. All participating artists must be members of the Oliver Community Arts Council. Membership forms are available at www.oliverartscouncil.org or olivercac@gmail.com

Artists should download and complete an application found at www.oliverartscouncil.org/forms-2/ or email OliverCAC@gmail.com for a form. NO FEES are required when applying. Space is limited, and the event is popular. Fees are only paid when successful applicants are confirmed by the committee.

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