

The Arcata Artisans Cooperative Donation Program

The artists of the Arcata Artisans Cooperative (AAC) truly appreciate the support we have received from the local community since our opening in 2003. We feel it is important to give back to the community and one way we can is by providing gift certificates for local fund-raising events.

Since we are a cooperative, individual pieces of art in our galley belong to their makers, not the AAC. Thus the AAC cannot donate works of art. However, one can find our individual AAC artists' names and emails on our webpage if any group wishes to contact our artists individually.

With budget cuts on the local and state levels, and a slow economy, the needs of the local community groups have greatly increased, and the Arcata Artisans Cooperative receives many requests for donations...far more than we can afford to give.

In response to this need, we have developed a new system for awarding donations to groups. It is our wish to supply gift certificates to a variety of causes in a timely and fair manner, though it may require some long-term planning on your organization's part.

- 1) Download and complete the AAC Donation Request Form. <Insert link>
Forms are also available at the AAC Gallery during normal business hours.
- 2) Mail or hand-deliver the donation request form to the Arcata Artisans Cooperative Gallery.

Due dates: We will award several gift certificates on a quarterly basis. Please return your donation request form by the dates below. The dates the gift certificates will be awarded and the timing of the event they are for are listed after the due dates (the gift certificates themselves have no expiry date).

Deadline	Date Awarded	For Events Scheduled
February 1 st	March 15 th	March 15 th to June 14 th
May 1 st	June 15 th	June 15 th to September 14 th
August 1 st	September 15 th	Sept. 15 th to December 14 th
November 1 st	December 15 th	Dec. 15 th to March 14 th

This schedule allows the AAC Board of Directors to review all requests and then present the requests for approval to the AAC members at our quarterly meetings.

Submission Guidelines

- 1) You must be a not-for-profit organization (but need not be registered as a non-profit).
- 2) Your cause should have a direct benefit to our local community.
- 3) Your request must be made in a timely manner.
Please note the above deadlines.
Do not make your request more than 9 months before your event.
- 4) If your request is approved, please wait one year before applying for another gift certificate (based on the deadline date).