

The Toledo Craftsman's Guild

We welcome new creativity! If you are interested in becoming a Member of the Toledo Craftsman's Guild, we invite you to apply for membership. We make you jump through a few hoops, but it's really no more information than what you would provide to any other juried art/craft show. If you are accepted for membership, our Jurying Chairperson will contact you with further instructions.

Please note: Our Jurying process has a September 15 cutoff date. Any applications received after September 15 will be held for Jurying until the following calendar year. This gives the Jurying Committee enough time to review applications and gives newly accepted Members enough time to send in their applications to our fall shows. If you are thinking about applying for membership to the Toledo Craftsman's Guild, send your application in early so you don't miss out on our Fall shows!

Membership Requirements and Scoring Standards

Work that is submitted for jurying must be the original creation of the craftsperson, not produced by employees, and be at least 70% hand crafted. No item may be mass-produced on a duplicating or copy machine. Original art work may be professionally copied, but the items displayed may not comprise more than 20% of the Member's display.

Food vendors must provide a copy of their Department of Agriculture certification either as a licensed Bakery or a Cottage Food Industry, and follow all state and local laws.

To become a Member of the Toledo Craftsman's Guild, your art/craft must meet the standards set by the Jurying Committee and will be evaluated for:

- Originality (1-5 points)
- Quality (1-10 points)
- Appearance (1-5 points)

You must receive a total of 14 points to be invited to be a Member.

If you submit an application for membership for multiple categories of art/craft, each category may be juried separately.

Invitations for membership are sent out in the order that the applications were received. Invitations are good for 4 weeks from the date on the invitation. To accept our invitation for membership, you'll need to pay a \$12 Initiation Fee plus the annual Membership Dues for the category you selected on your application. All the payment and mailing details will be provided once you accept our invitation.

Items not accepted at this time

- Commercial kits
- Plastic flowers, fruits, or greenery (the only exception will be if the item is not the main focal point of the 70% hand-crafted item)
- Plastic needlepoint
- Quickie decoupage, mod podge, or poured finish
- Jewelry composed entirely of commercial findings and/or pre-cut stones
- Assembled items that are not 70% handcrafted, and
- Pom-pom, beaded items, and other bazaar items
- Other items at the discretion of the Jury Committee

Show Fees and Information

Show fees range from \$45-\$75 (spring shows) to \$70-\$95 (fall shows). The following are also available for a small fee: wall spaces, tables, and electricity. All prices are subject to change. Guild show applications are accepted from its Members on a "first come, first served" basis.

"Spring Festival of Crafts" (March), "Homespun Holiday Art & Craft Show" (early November), and "Winter Festival of Crafts" (December) have spaces that are 8 feet wide by approximately 6 feet deep. Spring Crafters' Showcase (April) and Crafts for Christmas (late November) have spaces that are 10 feet wide by 10 feet deep.

Members must supply their own tablecovers. Table covers must be 100% polyester or other flame-retardant material. The color may be navy (preferred color), black, brown, burgundy/wine, grey, or hunter green. The Executive Board may approve other dark, solid, neutral colors at the request of a Member prior to the color being used at a show. The table cover must cover all sides of the table and must

reach the floor. All demonstration/packing tables with open space under the table top must also be covered (i.e., no "naked" table legs unless table legs are decorative in nature (ex. wooden claw foot tables)). Additional table top covers/cloths (lace, draping) may not hang more than twelve (12) inches over the edge of the covered tables. The Guild recommends www.TableClothsForLess.com as a

Ready? Let's do this!

First, provide some basic information.

(Sections with a red asterisk * must be completed.)

First Name:

Cathy

Last Name:

O'Rourke

Address Line 1:

1927 Thousand Oaks Dr.

City:

Toledo

State/Province:

OH

ZIP Code/Postal Code

43613

E-mail:

kmorourke@bex.net

Best Phone Number to Reach You:

4193463823

Membership Category Requested: (select one)

Team: \$45/year (up to 4 individuals who work together on the same craft or art (i.e., parent and an adult child, three sisters, 2 collaborating artists)).

If you selected "Team," provide the names of all artists and crafters who will be a part of the Team Membership.

Kevin O'Rourke, Kelley O'Rourke

Next, tell us about what you make.

Art and Craft Categories (select up to 3):

4) Clay, Porcelain, Pottery

5) Fiber and Textiles (Sewing, Quilting, Crochet, Knitting, Macrame, Clothing)

Describe how you create your art/craft(s) from start to finish. A couple paragraphs will likely be enough, but feel free to take as much space as you need.

Kelley O'Rourke

Gnomes: Fabric covered Gnomes average 12" tall. The hats are made from recycled sweaters while bodies are created using new socks. The hats are garnished with team logos, holiday, or seasonal decorations. The base is filled with loose rice to provide stability. Price: \$12

Kevin O'Rourke

Polymer Clay Gnomes: Gnomes from 3"-5" in height are created by hand-forming the body, hat, beard, and facial features using polymer clay. Each gnome is baked, hand painted including shadowing and highlights. Every piece is top coated with all weather sealant. Price: \$12 - \$18.

Cathy O'Rourke

Recycled Sweater Scarves: Several sweaters are cut into approximately 7" wide of various lengths. Different colors are zigzagged around each edge and then embellished using material, buttons, etc. Scarf ends are finished with matching color yarns. These are from my design. Price: \$25.00

Price Range of your Products:

\$12 -\$25

Average Price of your Products:

\$18

Almost done! Upload at least 3 detailed photos of your art or craft AND a photo of your booth display (if you have one). Feel free to upload up to 10 photos of your work and/or of you making your art if you believe we need to see more.

Note: The maximum file size is 5.0MB. Simple file names work best (example: LastName_FirstName_1.jpg). Complicated and/or long file names may not upload properly.

Attach 1st photo of your art or craft: (required) **Attach 2nd photo of your art or craft: (required)**



Attach 3rd photo of your art or craft:
(required)



Attach 4th photo of your art or craft: (optional)



Attach 5th photo of your art or craft: (optional)



Attach 7th photo of your art or craft: (optional)



Attach 8th photo of your art or craft: (optional)



Attach 6th photo of your art or craft: (optional)



Attach 9th photo of your art or craft: (optional)



One last photo, please!

Attach a photo of your display (if you have one):



One last task! See the text in the box below? Please enter that text into the white box to the left of the circular arrow so we know you aren't a spam robot.

Don't click that "Submit" button yet!

Review your information above and make sure it's correct. If there's anything we need to know, add it to the "Additional Comments/Questions" section.

You'll receive a submission identification number when we receive your application. You'll also have the opportunity to download a .pdf of your application for your files. (You can print your application now, too, if you wish.)

Does everything look good to you? Great!

Take a deep breath...and...Click "Submit"!

Be patient...uploading your photos may take a few minutes depending on the size of your files.

NOT USED Mailing Address:

United States

Were you referred to The Toledo Craftsman's Guild by a current Member?

No.