

Downtown Artists Cooperative Reopening Plan, disclaimers and other announcements

Saturday, on June 6th, the Downtown Artists Cooperative Gallery will reopen to the public, in a limited capacity, after being temporarily closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

DAC cares deeply about the safety of our members and visitors.

Therefore, with the safety of DAC's members and its patrons in mind, the Downtown Artists Cooperative will reopen under the guidelines, restrictions and recommendations set by CDC, Tennessee Pledge, Federal and Local officials.

During the time DAC has been temporarily closed due to the concern of our members' and patrons' health because of COVID-19, DAC's coordinators have been taking numerous steps to ensure a proper and safe reopening process, and has increased the frequency of its cleaning practices.

DAC has also increased the frequency of sanitization of high-touch areas.

Our Cooperative's gallery facility has frequently been cleaned and disinfected, and we are continuing to do so in compliance with guidelines set by CDC, in order to protect our members and visitors.

The Downtown Artists Cooperative strongly recommends its members and patrons to respect the new admission guidelines and safety measures as we recognize the COVID-19 pandemic and the efforts made in order to keep our community healthy and safe.

Admission to the DAC gallery facility will be controlled through the DAC volunteers prompting visitors to respect the maximum occupancy of no more than 10 guests at the same time.

DAC visitors may be asked to wait outside the gallery facility by our volunteers until other patrons finish shopping, if the maximum occupancy of 10 people in the gallery facility has been reached.

DAC's new gallery limited occupancy has been implemented in order to encourage and maintain social distancing.

DAC's new hours of operation are 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Saturdays only, in June 2020.

DAC will be closed during the other days of the month for cleaning and sanitizing.

The balconies within DAC's gallery facility will be closed to visitors, in June, until further notice.

In order to enable and maintain social distancing, the gallery will have signs on displays which will designate the directions in which traffic is traveling.

We strongly recommend our members and patrons to respect the arrows when browsing the current art exhibits and remain 6 feet apart from the other guests.

Downtown Artists Cooperative recognizes the importance of our community's health and safety, so we ask our DAC members and our visitors to adhere to the guidelines set by CDC and DAC's leadership:

- If you feel unwell, have fever or if you show any symptoms of COVID-19 (cough, shortness of breath) please reconsider your trip to DAC and refrain from entering DAC and contact your health provider. Our volunteers will have a NO TOUCH thermometer on hand and may ask to verify our members' and visitors' temperature;
- We strongly recommend that our members and guests wear face masks or coverings during their visit at DAC and within gallery's facility;

- Visitors will be required to maintain social distancing guidelines set by CDC (6 feet/2 meters apart);
- DAC members and visitors are required to practice good hand hygiene by washing hands with water and soap for at least 20 seconds, and use the hand sanitizer stations upon entering and throughout their shifts and visits;
- For our visitors' convenience and information, paper copies of CDC guidelines and other guides on COVID-19 are available in our gallery on display and upon request for closer viewing;
- For our members' and patrons' protection, disposable plastic gloves will be provided to our visitors upon their entry into the gallery facility;
- If our members or visitors feel the need to sneeze or cough, we strongly recommend that they follow the guidelines set by CDC by doing so and use the disposable facial tissues we provide within the gallery facility;
- We ask our visitors to be attentive to signage in the gallery facility as they provide guidance on entering, exiting, and waiting in line for checkout, respectively maintain social distancing and other information on COVID-19;
- Please, limit touching to what is absolutely necessary. Our art exhibits are very delicate and touching art is not permitted, as we aim to stop the spread of germs. However, if you wish to examine jewelry and other crafts we can provide you with gloves and assistance. Please, ask our volunteers at the front desk to provide assistance while maintain 6 feet apart;
- Food, drinks and tobacco products are strictly prohibited within the gallery facility;
- Waiting and loitering in the gallery facility is not permitted;
- Horseplay is not permitted in the gallery facility;

- We inform our guests that children under 13 of age must be accompanied by an adult. We ask our patrons and guest to not carry their children on shoulders in our gallery facility. We ask that children under 13 of age be supervised at all times. We inform our members and visitors that strollers are allowed in the gallery facility, but they must be pushed and supervised by adults at all times.
- Running is not permitted within the DAC gallery facility.

The Admission into the DAC's gallery facility for browsing our art exhibits and shopping is free of charge and no purchasing of tickets is necessary for admission.

By visiting the DAC gallery, the visitors agree to assume all responsibility for their health and well-being and will not hold the Downtown Artists Cooperative responsible for any COVID-19 concerns.

DAC's Art Exhibit for June 2020 is titled "Alone, Together" and it's a Group Art Exhibit with new works by DAC members.

In order to keep our members and patrons safe, there will be no opening reception for "Alone, Together" in June, 2020.

The DAC Gallery is looking forward to a safe reopening and it needs its community's support now more than ever.