**CAPITOL ART SOCIETY BY-LAWS**

By-Laws Revised September, 2019

**ARTICLE I-NAME**

The organization shall be known as Capitol Art Society.

**ARTICLE II-OBJECT**

The object of this society shall be to further art

appreciation in Austin, to exhibit and sell paintings, and

to associate with other artists in an organized group.

**ARTICLE III-MEMBERSHIP**

SECTION 1. All persons who are members of this

organization or may be hereafter admitted to this

membership in the manner prescribed and whose dues

have been paid for the current year shall constitute the

membership of this organization. Each year at its first

meeting the Society shall determine the maximum

number of members.

SECTION 2. All applications for membership shall be

submitted to the Membership Chair who will submit

them to the Society for its approval.

SECTION 3. Active members are those who are actively

engaged in creative art work. They are entitled to exhibit

their work in exhibitions sponsored by the Capitol Art

Society, when such members are in good standing.

SECTION 4. Patron members are those who are not

actively engaged in creative art work but who desire to

encourage and promote art. Applications for patron

membership shall be submitted to the Executive Board

for its approval.

SECTION 5. Temporary Inactive Membership shall be

available to Active Members who because of illness or

other serious reason cannot participate in projects

planned by the Society. An Inactive Member may

request reinstatement to active membership upon the

payment of the yearly dues.

SECTION 6 Honorary Life Members. Distinguished

persons who have contributed their time to the Capitol

Art Society and have demonstrated their interest in this

organization may be elected as Honorary Life Members

when deemed worthy by the members. They shall have

all the privileges of the floor except those of holding

office, exhibiting and voting. They shall pay no dues.

SECTION 7. If a former member of Capitol Art Society

wishes to rejoin, the current annual dues must be paid.

**ARTICLE IV—DUES AND FINANCES**

SECTION 1. The annual dues of each Active Member

shall be $35.00 for a full year beginning January 1st

through December 31st. Current Lifetime Members are Grandfathered in as of the By-Laws revised date.

Current Lifetime Members who have already paid their lifetime dues will not need to pay the annual dues.

SECTION 2. The show Chair shall have the discretion to request any additional fees.

**ARTICLE V OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION**

SECTION 1 The officers of this Society shall be

President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer,

Parliamentarian, and Historian.

SECTION 2. A Nomination Committee consisting of

three or more members including the immediate past president shall be appointed by the President. The

Nominating Committee shall report their nominations to

the membership at least thirty days before the December meeting.

SECTION 3. At the December meeting the new officers

shall be elected. The election may be by ballot, and a

majority vote shall be necessary to elect. If there are no

nominations from the floor, the vote may be taken by

voice vote or a motion may be made that the President

instruct the Secretary to cast the vote of the Society in

favor of the slate as presented by the Nominating

Committee.

SECTION 4. The officers elected shall assume office

immediately.

SECTION 5. In case of resignation, death, or inability to

serve any portion of the elected term, the President shall be automatically succeeded by the Vice-President.

Other vacancies shall be filled by ballot or voice vote on

candidates submitted by the Nominating Committee, or

nominated from the floor.

**ARTICLE VI—DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

SECTION 1. The President shall preside at the

meetings of the Society. The President shall appoint all

Committee Chairs except the Membership Chair

and shall be ex-officio member of every committee

except Nomination Committee. The President shall

have general supervision over all affairs of the Society.

SECTION 2. The Vice-President shall perform all duties

of the President in the absence of the President. In

addition, the Vice-President shall serve as Chair of

the Membership Committee.

SECTION 3. The Secretary shall keep full and accurate

records of the meetings and work of the Society, a full

list of all members and a record of Treasurer’s reports.

SECTION 4. The Treasurer shall collect, hold and

disburse all Society money as directed by the Society.

The Treasurer shall collect all membership dues,

exhibition fees and any additional fees due. The Treasurer shall present a budget to the membership for approval at the first meeting of the year. A financial statement including receipts, disbursements and balances shall be furnished to the members at the first meeting of the year.

SECTION 5. The Parliamentarian shall direct the

Society meetings in Parliamentary law. Robert’s Rules

of Order (Revised) shall be the recognized authority.

SECTION 6. The Historian shall collect press clippings,

pictures, reports and news items concerning the

activities of the Society to be kept permanently in the

History Book.

**ARTICLE VII—COMMITTEES**

SECTION 1. The Standing Committees shall be

Membership, Public Relations, Shows, Website, and

Social Media.

SECTION 2. Committee chairmen shall name their

committee members.

**ARTICLE VIII—MEETINGS**

Meetings may be called by the President and two other

members of the Executive Board. A quorum at a

general meeting shall consist of 10 members.

**ARTICLE IX—EXECUTIVE BOARD**

The officers of this Society and the immediate past president shall constitute the Executive Board. The

Executive Board shall have all power and authority over

the affairs of the Society between the general meetings

except that of modifying any action taken by the Society,

providing no debt or liability except necessary current

expense is incurred. These meetings shall be open to

all members.

**ARTICLE X—AMENDMENTS**

These By-Laws may be amended by the membership

at a general meeting, provided thirty days’ written notice

has been sent to all Active members.

**Capitol Art Society Standing Rules**

**Actions taken since March, 2005**

March 27, 2006

1.Membership capped at 45.

2.Dues must be paid by Feb. 28 each year with an

accurate membership roster available at Spring Meeting

June 15, 2006

Prospective members must receive at least 75%

approval of the attending active members to be offered

membership.

Sept. 11, 2006

Dues paying members must attend at least one CAS

meeting per calendar year to be eligible to exhibit in CAS

shows or contribute in another way such as:

Find and secure a location for an exhibit

Chair an exhibit

Produce postcards or labels for an exhibit

Hold office

Feb. 29, 2008

1. Rescinded the participation rules passed Sept., 2006

2. Cancelled credit card.

June 6, 2008

Approved new “Membership Application” forms and

Evaluation process of prospective members