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Membership Application

Members are the heart of the Arts Council of the North Okanagan (ACNO). We serve the residents of the North Okanagan Regional District, focusing mainly on the Greater Vernon Area. The ACNO needs your support in order to provide programs and services that are critical to the vitality of providing, promoting and supporting all aspects of arts and cultural activities in our community. Every contribution makes a difference no matter what the amount. Here's why:

- **Your membership is your voice.** Each year we must provide evidence to policy makers in all levels of government that art and culture are worthy of local, provincial and federal support. Your membership adds your voice to our efforts and helps demonstrate that the arts matter in the North Okanagan.
- **With every dollar you donate, you are not only demonstrating your support but are directly supporting arts education, services and arts events presented to the community.** Member donations help fund building/studio renovations and arts education programs including our youth bursary program (making it possible for 10 youths to attend a summer arts camp free).
- **The more you give, the more we can give back.** Your contributions directly affect our ability to leverage additional funding that supports arts education, activities, events and services to the North Okanagan arts community. However, the most important benefit of membership is knowing that **your contribution supports ACNO vision and goals to provide and support all creative and artistic opportunities** for all to enjoy.

MEMBERSHIP FORM

- New Membership Date: **EXPIRY DATE:**
 Renewal Date: **EXPIRY DATE:**

Name(s): _____
Guardian/Group Contact: _____
Telephone: _____
Alternate Tel: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
Postal Code: _____
Email: _____

I would like to receive publications, updates and renewal notification by email from the Arts Council of the North Okanagan and the Vernon Community Arts Centre: YES NO

Membership type: (prices include GST where applicable)	1 year
Individual Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> \$31.50
Youth (14 years and under)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15.00
Student Membership (<i>High school / College / University</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15.75
Senior Membership (65+)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15.75
Family Membership (2 to 4 family members)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$47.25

Receive an Individual Lifetime Membership free with a donation of \$1000 or more.

ADDITIONAL DONATION / CONTRIBUTION AMOUNT: \$ _____

There are many ways to support the Arts Council of the North Okanagan with a planned gift, including trusts, will provisions, etc., in which the Arts Council is named as a beneficiary. Even if you cannot give a large gift at present, you can arrange a deferred gift and still enjoy income from your assets. We would be happy to work with you and your financial- or estate-planning advisors to determine the gift best suited to your needs, desire, and goals, including Planned Giving (see definition on overleaf). For more information, please call us at 542-6243

To renew your membership, you may print out this form and drop it off in person at the Arts Centre in Polson Park (cash, check, debit, visa or master card), mail it with a check to 2704A Hwy 6, Vernon BC, V1T 5G5 or phone it in with visa or master card to 250 542 6243.

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**Arts Council of the North Okanagan
Membership Benefits**

INDIVIDUAL / FAMILY / STUDENT / SENIOR MEMBERSHIPS

Benefits include:

1. Discounts on classes and workshops (some restrictions may apply)
2. Eligibility to participate in drop-in sessions at the Arts Centre
3. Eligibility to nominate, be nominated and vote at the ACNO Annual General Meeting
4. Receive our bi-monthly newsletter, "Artscene", filled with news and views of upcoming regional arts and cultural activities
5. Quarterly brochure listing upcoming adult and youth arts classes, workshops and camps
6. Invitations to attend or participate in ACNO workshops, lectures, events etc.
7. Exhibit and sell artwork in the VCAC Centre Gallery and/or Art Shop
8. Ability to rent lockers at the Vernon Community Arts Centre when available

GROUP MEMBERSHIP

Group Membership Information and Benefits:

1. Grant information
2. Eligible to nominate, be nominated and vote at the ACNO Annual General Meeting
3. Receive our bi-monthly newsletter, "Artscene", filled with news and views of upcoming regional arts and cultural activities
4. Ability to list group/event information and photos on the ACNO website
5. Invitations to attend or participate in ACNO workshops, lectures, events etc.
6. Ability to rent rooms at the Vernon Community Arts Centre for meetings and activities when available
7. Contact the Vernon Community Arts Centre Manager to arrange room rentals
8. Opportunity to book the Vernon Community Arts Centre Gallery to exhibit and sell artwork made by the group
9. Ability to advertise group / event information in the ACNO publications "The Link" and "Artscene"
10. Ability to use the VCAC address to receive group mail
11. Ability to rent lockers at the Vernon Community Arts Centre when available

PLANNED GIVING

Planned Giving is often described as "leaving a legacy" because Planned Gifts are created to make an impact for future generations. It is surprisingly easy to arrange a planned gift. Though more sophisticated gifts will require more care, many methods are quite straightforward. Whatever the method, you can plan your gift to maximise your objectives. A Planned Gift can:

- give you a tax advantage (often the tax benefits are quite substantial)
- fit appropriately with your estate plans and concerns for heirs
- compliment your lifestyle goals
- match your wish to leave a legacy to the cause you care about.

Online donations and Planned Gifts to the Arts Council of the North Okanagan can be made easily and securely through Canada Helps at www.canadahelps.org.