

ABSTRACT GROUP BY-LAWS

ARTICLE 1 NAME

The name of the organization shall be "Group A."

ARTICLE 2 PURPOSE

The purpose of the group shall be to encourage experimental works of art and to exhibit them.

ARTICLE 3 MEMBERSHIP

Section 1

Membership in the Group shall be confined to Pittsburgh and area within 100 mile radius.

Section 2

Membership shall be determined by a two-thirds closed vote of those active members present at a meeting. Proposed members names shall be submitted by the Membership Committee and shall be the result of current policy.

Section 3

Dues for the current year to be paid on admission.

Section 4

Termination of membership shall be by: a. Written resignation,  
b. Non-payment of dues for two years *or more years.*

Section 5

Reinstatement of Membership

Reinstatement of members shall be made after a lapse of three or more years with the approval of the membership and payment *of 1 yr's previous dues.* of current dues.

ARTICLE 4 DUES

The dues of the Group shall be determined annually by the Executive Committee at the beginning of the fiscal year, January 1.

ARTICLE 5 OFFICERS

Section 1

The officers of the Group shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, to be elected at the Annual Business Meeting in the fall. These officers shall constitute the Executive Committee.

Section 2

*It is understood* They shall be elected for a two year term and shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. No officer shall serve more than two terms in the same capacity.

Section 3

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings, to appoint all committee chairmen and to perform any other duties pertaining to the office.

Section 4

The representative of Group A to the Governing Board of Directors of the Arts & Crafts Center shall be appointed by the President of Group A from among the members of the Executive Committee.

Section 5

The President will also appoint a Historian, who shall keep current records of the Group's activities.

ARTICLE 6 MEETINGS

There shall be no less than two general meetings a year. The annual business meeting shall take place no later than October.

ARTICLE 7 ELECTIONS

Section 1

A nominating committee of three shall be elected by the membership and they shall present a slate of officers at the Annual Business Meeting.

Section 2

Election shall be by closed ballot.

Section 3

The President shall appoint a member to fill any vacancies of office during the year.

ARTICLE 8 COMMITTEES

There shall be at least two standing committees, whose chairman shall be appointed by the President: The Exhibition Committee and the Membership Committee.

Section 1

The Exhibition Committee shall organize and implement the regular Center exhibitions and whatever other exhibitions may be decided upon.

Section 2

The Membership Committee shall keep such records and make such recommendations as are necessary to sustain a core of active membership.

ARTICLE 9 AMENDMENT

These By-Laws may be amended ~~either by a unanimous vote of the Executive Committee at its governing meetings, or by a majority vote of the members present at an annual meeting, providing notice of proposed change is sent to each member prior to the meeting.~~ or by a majority vote of the members present at an annual meeting, providing notice of proposed change is sent to each member prior to the meeting.

## POLICIES

### Exhibition

It shall be the policy of the organization that only the Exhibition Committee appointed by the President be present at the hanging of the show.

### Guests

- A. To become a guest exhibitor, an artist's name shall be suggested and voted by closed vote, and said artist must receive a ~~two-thirds~~ <sup>majority</sup> vote of those members present.
- B. Guest exhibitors may be voted to membership at any time after they have exhibited with the Group; however, if they have shown ~~three times~~ <sup>twice</sup> and still are not voted in as members, they should not be invited as guests again.