



CALL FOR ARTISTS! ***FIRST FROST FINE ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR*** ***OCTOBER 24 AND 25, 2026***

The Founders Society is pleased to announce our 19th annual FIRST FROST Art Fair.

Organized and manned by The Founders Society and formed in 1958, we are the oldest support and fundraising organization for the Flint Institute of Arts (FIA).

First Frost Fine Arts & Crafts Fair is held inside the Flint Cultural Center Academy (FCCA). This remarkable facility is one block away from the Flint Institute of Arts. We have memorable shows for both our artists and the community where we showcase fine hand-crafted items and art for holiday shoppers. Our beautiful space at the FCCA will accommodate up to 50 artists.

- *All artists will be juried. Judging is based upon originality, creativity and artistic quality.*
- ***Early Registration -- \$200 (application due July 31/ jury status within 2 weeks of application.)***
- *Regular Registration -- \$225 (All dates after July 31/ jury notification within 2 weeks.)*
- *Artist Set-up: Friday, October 23: 12:30p-4:30p and Saturday October 24: 7a-10a*
- *Event Time: Saturday, October 25: 10a-5p and Sun October 26: 11a-4p*
- *Our exhibition space at FCCA is well lit.*
- *A limited number of booths with electrical access are available for an additional fee.*
- ***NEW: You must choose either a 10'x12' booth size or an 8'x16' booth size.***
- *WIFI access is included.*

Other highlights for our guests will be artfully creative decorated Christmas trees for sale, great live music, a coffee shop and bake sale.

APPLICATION PROCESS

*Artists are selected based upon originality, creativity, and the artistic quality of your artwork, as well as the attractiveness of your display. The unique creative elements of the merchandise must be created by the artist applicant. **You must provide images (JPG, email attachments, or website address) showing representative work and displays. Note: if you have previously exhibited at either First Frost (fall event) or the now discontinued First Bloom Art Fair, you may request an art work submission waiver on the application.***

However, we would like to use your artwork in our promotional advertising, so please email high quality images to FIAFoundersSociety@gmail.com. If you sent photos before, please update us with photos of your new art!

Groups are also welcome to have a booth at First Frost, for example, a local guild or classroom group from the Flint Institute of Arts Art School. Submit photos representing a sampling of art to be sold.

*Questions? Contact Lisa Land at FIAFoundersSociety@gmail.com or 810.820.8331 (if no answer, **please** text me.)*

The Application form for First Frost is attached or available at <https://flintarts.org>. It may also be obtained via email to FIAFoundersSociety@gmail.com and our page on facebook.

Applications may be returned to us via email or US mail. Application with payment can be sent to: FIAFoundersSociety@gmail.com or mail to Lisa Land, 1606 Lyon St., Flint, MI 48503. You may pay by credit card, PayPal, check or money order. Questions? Call Lisa Land at 810.820.8331. (please **text** if I don't answer, so I'll know you are not spam!)

Booth payment arrangements must accompany the application.



ARTIST APPLICATION 2026

Saturday, October 24 and Sunday, October 25, 2026

Artist jurying is based upon originality, creativity, and artistic quality of their merchandise, in addition to the attractiveness of their display. The unique creative elements of the merchandise must be created by the artist. Provide images (photos, JPGs, email attachments, or a website address) showing representative work and displays. Note: if you have previously exhibited at either First Frost or First Bloom you may request an art work submission waiver request below.

Artist Name(s): _____

Artist's Business Name, if applicable: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Website: _____

Please check all merchandise categories that apply:

____ Baskets ____ Clothing/Access ____ Holiday Items ____ Paintings ____ Stationery/Cards/Books ____
Beauty & Spa ____ Fibers/Textiles ____ Jewelry ____ Photography ____ Toys ____ Ceramics ____
Gardening/Floral ____ Leather ____ Prints ____ Wood Items ____ Children's Items ____ Glass ____
Metal ____ Sculpture ____ Other _____

Merchandise Description: _____

Typical Price Range of Items: _____

Circle ONE booth size (required): 10 x 12 8 x 16 (at this time both booth sizes are same price.)

- Booth Spaces are \$200 during Early Registration until July 31, 2026.
- Booth rate \$225 for all dates after July 31. Jury notification is within 2 weeks after application.

Booth space consists only of the indicated floor space. Artists provide their own display structures & fixtures.

____ Art work submission waiver request (art & booth details previously submitted with minimal change.)

(First Frost Staff: Waiver Granted (artist's prior work reviewed - Waiver Not Granted - Artist Requested to Resubmit)

____ Qty Folding Chair(s) requested (no charge)

____ Qty 8 Ft Table(s) requested - Rental fee of \$20, please include fee with booth payment

____ Electrical access fee \$10, due with booth fee. Limited number, placement is along the walls.

Founders Society Event Cancellation Policy: artist cancellation 3 weeks prior to event (full refund); artist cancellation 2 weeks prior (50% refund/50% future event credit); artist cancellation 1 week prior (no refund/50% future event credit)

Payment Amount: \$ _____

Payment Options are as follows: **Check or money order payable to Founders Society**

Credit Card: Name of Card Holder _____

Card No. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Expiration Month/Year: | | | | | Verif. No. | | | | |

PayPal payments go to FIAFoundersSociety@gmail.com

Payment must be included with your application. Fees refunded in full to unsuccessful applicants.

Your signature: _____ Date: _____

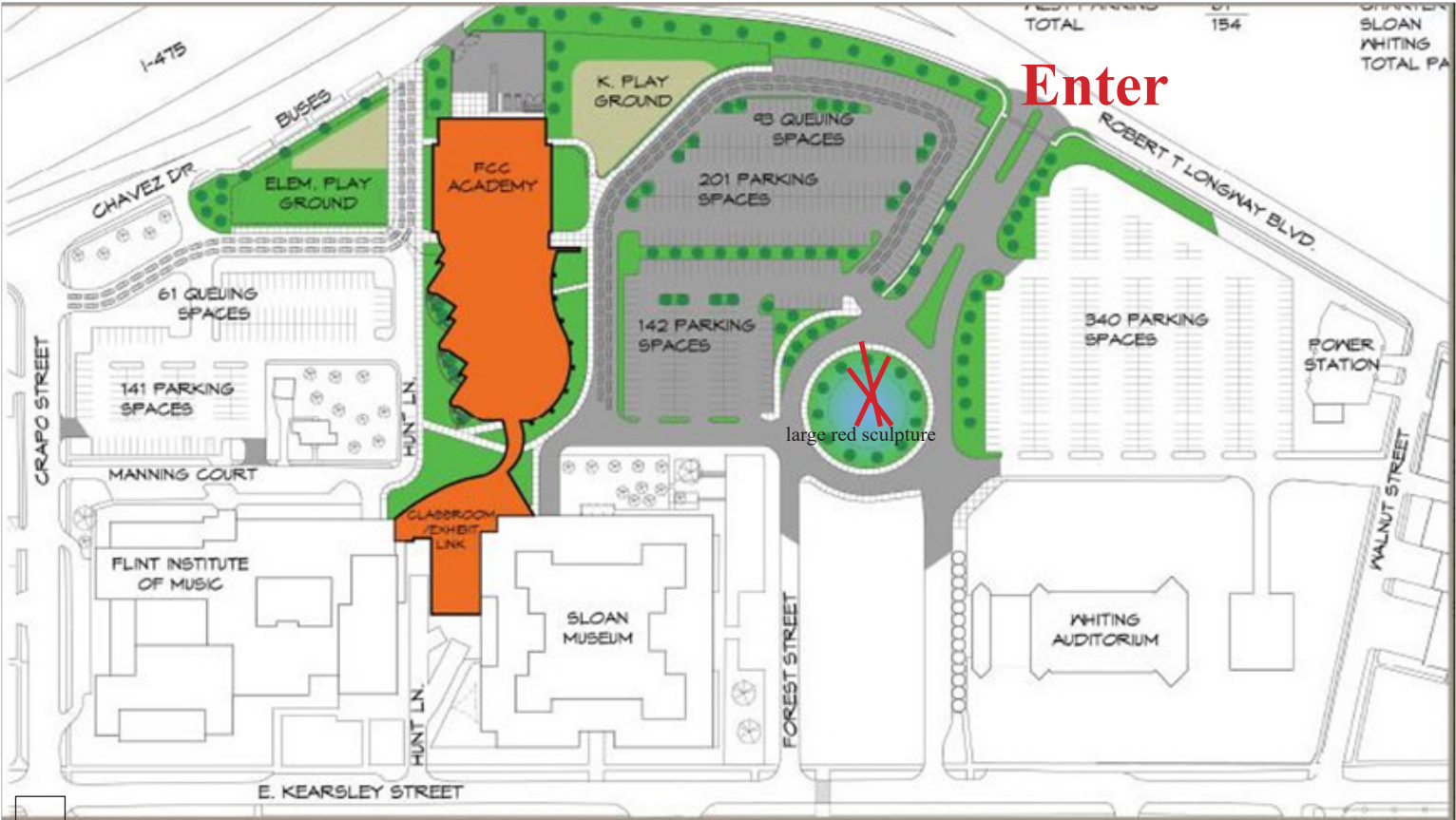
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or mail to: First Frost 2026, c/o Lisa Land, 1606 Lyon St, Flint, MI 48503

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Entrance to the Flint Cultural Center Academy, located in the beautiful Flint Cultural Center.



- Crapo St.
- Gloria Coles Flint Public Library
- Flint Institute of Arts
- Flint Youth Theater and Longway Planetarium
- Applewood Botanical Gardens

