# **Northport Arts Association Nudity Policy**

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#### Introduction:

The Northport Arts Association (NAA) acknowledges the diverse nature of artistic expression and recognizes the importance of maintaining a respectful and inclusive environment. This nudity policy is established to provide guidelines for the display of artworks that may include nudity in NAA-sponsored events, exhibitions, and online platforms.

## **Purpose of NAA's Nudity Policy:**

- 1. Encourage artistic freedom while maintaining a **safe and comfortable** environment for all participants and visitors.
- 2. Define the parameters for the display of nudity in artworks associated with NAA.
- 3. Ensure that artistic expression is mindful of cultural sensitivities and community standards.
- 4. Communicate our policy to guests and attendees (see door signage).

### **Guidelines:**

#### **Context and Artistic Intent:**

Artworks featuring nudity will be considered within the context of artistic intent and expression.

The artistic intent behind the inclusion of nudity should be clear and contribute to the overall artistic message.

#### **Display and Presentation:**

Nudity in artworks must be presented tastefully and thoughtfully.

Explicit sexual content, gratuitous nudity, or any pornographic content is not permitted. Artwork in this genre is required to be vetted and approved by the NAA board **prior** to acceptance.

NAA reserves the right to approve and/or reject any art.

#### **Consideration of Audience:**

NAA-sponsored events may attract diverse audiences, including children and individuals who may be sensitive to nudity. Artists are encouraged to consider the audience and the appropriateness of their work for a given context.

## **Labeling and Signage:**

Artworks containing nudity should be labeled as such to give viewers the opportunity to make an informed choice.

Events or exhibitions featuring nudity should have clear signage indicating the presence of such content.

#### Online Platforms:

NAA's online platforms (website, social media) may feature artworks with nudity as long as they adhere to the guidelines outlined in this policy.

Explicit content or content violating community standards on online platforms will be removed.

#### **Consent and Release:**

Artists submitting works with nudity must ensure that they have obtained any necessary permissions or releases from individuals depicted in the artwork.

#### **Children and Minors:**

Artworks featuring nudity involving minors are strictly prohibited, even within the context of art.

#### **Sensitive Content:**

We will post a disclaimer in our welcome message posted on our door. It states:

#### **NOTICE TO OUR GUESTS:**

Welcome to Northport Arts Association art gallery. At times we hold exhibits that may show sensitive content. If you have any questions about our exhibit, content or policy, please inquire in our office or send us an email at northportartsforall@gmail.com.

#### Right of Refusal:

NAA reserves the right to reject art with nudity that does not comply with our policy or standards.

#### Consequences of Violations:

Violations of this nudity policy may result in the removal of artworks from exhibitions, events, or online platforms. Repeated violations may lead to the artist's disqualification from future NAA-sponsored activities.

## **Review and Updates:**

This nudity policy will be periodically reviewed and updated as necessary. Any changes will be communicated to all relevant parties.

# **Acknowledgment:**

By participating in NAA-sponsored events, artists acknowledge that they have read, understood, and agreed to comply with this nudity policy.

This policy is subject to change without notice. Please check for updates regularly.

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