



Artist Application 2026

20 wooden teacup planters displayed in downtown Auburn
June-September 2026

Cash Awards to be presented at the end of exhibit

Teacup Planters will be auctioned to the highest bidder with proceeds to be split between
Artist & DABA

Deadline for registration-Friday March 20, 2026

Final 20 artists will be selected and notified by the DABA Art Committee
from all artist applications submitted.

Selected artists must have work completed & delivered by Saturday June 6, 2026

Locations will be selected by representatives from the DABA Art Committee

For further information please contact Mike Littlejohn (260) 925-3113 or email
mike@carbaughjewelers.com

-----Cut & Return to Address Below-----

Name _____ Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Brief description of proposed theme you will be using _____

Brief Artist Bio _____

Signature of Artist/Participant _____ Date _____

Return application & sketch of proposed theme to : **Carbaugh Jewelers 108 E 7th St.**
Auburn, IN 46706 or email: mike@carbaughjewelers.com



“Steeped in Auburn”

2026 Summer Art Exhibit

Artist Guidelines

1. The Downtown Auburn Business Association (DABA) will provide to the artist one wooden teacup planter. The dimensions of the teacup planter are as follows: 32 inches wide including base, 31 inches tall including base.
2. Each artist will provide his/her own materials (paint, brushes, etc.) to complete entry.
3. Artistic style of each entry will be left to the discretion of each artist, but a proposed theme and sketch must be submitted with completed application. Chosen artists will not be allowed to change proposed theme.
4. Artist may add material to the teacup, but may not alter the structural integrity of the planter by removing material. Artist may add plantings to the planter once it is set in place. Plantings must be contained in a separate removable container inside the teacup planter. Artist is responsible for the care of the plantings if used.
5. Weather resistant paints/stains, and other materials must be used on the teacup planter. The planter must be clear coat sealed.
6. Each entry will be sold at no reserve at the completion of the exhibit. The proceeds from each sale will be split (50/50) between each respective artist and DABA.
7. Each artist is required to complete and submit an artist application and drawing showing and explaining proposed theme. All entries must be titled.
8. All entries must be family friendly.
9. Location for each entry will be determined by representatives from the DABA Art Committee. All teacup planters will be located in the Downtown Auburn Business District. Exhibit runs June through September.
10. The Downtown Auburn Business Association (DABA), and/or the DABA Art Committee members reserve the right to refuse the acceptance of any work deemed inappropriate and/or not suitable for family viewing. If deemed inappropriate, artist agrees to reimburse DABA for all material cost associated with the purchase of the teacup planter.
11. The artist agrees to indemnify and to hold harmless the City of Auburn, the Downtown Auburn Business Association, Auburn Main Street, and the DABA Art Committee members, their officers, employees, and agents from any and all claims, actions, judgments, losses, costs, (including reasonable attorney fees), and damages whatsoever; including claims arising by reason of accident, injury, or death caused to persons or property of any kind, arising out of, in connection with or incidental to the “Steeped in Auburn” Art Exhibit. By signing and returning the application, I certify I have read this document, and agree to abide by the committee’s regulations contained in the guidelines and as decided by the committee, and know that failure to do so may result in my being asked to withdraw from the exhibit.
12. Teacup planters are to be completed by June 6, 2026. By signing the application and taking possession of the swing artist is contracted to complete the work by the due date listed above. Failure to do so will result in artist reimbursing DABA for all material cost (\$500.00) associated with the purchase of the teacup planter.



