



Northwest Gourd Art Workshops

"Celebrating Nature's Canvas"

WSGS TEACHER APPLICATION

Application DEADLINE is March 31, 2017

Washington State Gourd Society's NORTHWEST GOURD ART WORKSHOPS are workshops offered at the Kittitas Valley Event Center (Fairgrounds) in Ellensburg, WA. Workshops run Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday morning. **July 20th to the 23rd, 2017.**

Thank you for your interest in teaching creative ways to use gourds as nature's canvas. It is our sincere intention to keep our events fun, informative, productive and inspiring for all who attend! Your participation can help us meet this goal. In order to pay for our amazing venture the Washington State Gourd Society charges a fee* which is added onto your teacher's fee to cover expenses of hosting these events. Students pay the Washington State Gourd Society in advance for all classes. Teachers will be paid by mail within two weeks following our events for all students registered for the class, sooner if possible. Images of the completed gourd object are required for marketing our classes. High-quality images that excite interest for the student do help sell classes. **All applicants must include three (3) different photos of the class project.**

Class times: Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday morning, 8:30 a.m. to Noon. This would include any instruction to support the student in finishing their project, **a highly valued detail of our students.**

Teacher's Name: _____

Days teaching (circle all that apply): Thursday **Friday** Saturday Sunday AM

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ cell: _____ Email: _____

Have you taught a gourd class before? If so, where? _____

Title of your class: _____ Full Day Half Day

Please describe your class activity and what students can expect to accomplish by the end of the class period: *Students highly value the ability to complete the project within the time scheduled for the class.* Number of students: Minimum: is 2, Maximum 12. Considerations for exceptions to the maximum will be based upon experience and will be pre-approved by Stacy Annon and Shawna Stout (nwgourdart@gmail.com). All classes require a written tutorial. Sending a electronic copy of your description to the email address is most appreciated.

List the materials/tools **students need to bring**. Please specify names/sizes for carving burrs, inks or other supplies so students can arrive - repaired for class. Provide internet links so successful students can purchase what they need in advance.

List of materials/tools **teacher will provide** (included in student fee):

List materials/tools available **for sale from the teacher** during class time (not included in student fee):



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Details we need to better support you:

Do you require electrical outlets? _____ How many? _____ Will you be creating smoke or dust? Yes ___ No ___

NOTE: We supply each teacher with table and chairs to accommodate registered students.

Is this class a beginner: _____ intermediate: _____ or advanced: _____

The number of students registered on June 17th, 2017 is the guaranteed student number per class. There could be more students as website registration will continue until July 9th 2017.

Will you be willing to take walk-ins if there is room in your class? _____ How many? _____ Max number of students: _____

*Class tuition fee (*including* Washington State Gourd Society's \$30.00 full day fee (\$20 for half day): \$ _____
(teacher fee + WSGS fee = class fee)

Check list: Completed application, clear concise description of your class, 3 photos of your class project, & signed Terms of Agreement.

TEACHER'S TERMS OF AGREEMENT

This is an Application Agreement between the Washington State Gourd Society (hereafter 'WSGS') and those who wish to teach gourd art at the Northwest Gourd Workshop.

1. The WSGS reserves the right to bar any class deemed to be hazardous, inappropriate or in bad taste.
2. Teachers must set up and be ready to greet their students prior to their class start time and are expected to clean up their area after each class in preparation for the next class.
3. Teachers must include ALL supply costs into their "Class Fees." Students will not be expected to pay any additional charges once they sign up and pay for classes **unless clearly stated in the class description**.
4. Teachers agree to teach only the activities described on this application (unless otherwise approved by the WSGS) and will provide (or require) dust masks, gloves, eye protection, and/or any other safety equipment for their students, whenever advisable.
5. Teachers shall accept total responsibility for their classroom area with regard to safety, fire, theft, accident, or injury to themselves, their students or the public. (Students are also required to sign a Waiver of Liability for any accident or injury).
6. Cancellations: Teachers agree to immediately notify WSGS through **both** Shawna Stout, at nwgourdart@gmail.com and Stacy Annon at sannongourds@gmail.com. While we hope it is not necessary, the **last day to cancel is June 19th, 2017**.
7. WSGS and the Kittitas Valley Event Center assume no responsibility for any property brought onto the premises. This Agreement releases the above parties and their agents from liability due to any loss or damage to such property, whatsoever the cause.
8. Should "acts of God" or other unforeseen calamity cause the classes to be canceled, immediate notice will be given to all teachers. WSGS and the Kittitas Valley Event Center are fully committed to hosting this event but shall not be liable for claims of lost profits, business, or any other damage if the workshops have to be canceled or rescheduled.
9. Teachers are personally responsible for any damage to rented tables and/or chairs, and agree to clean up their individual areas of operation at the end of their class.
10. Minimum amount of students is two (2). Maximum twelve (12) students per class. Any exceptions will be pre-authorized by Shawna Stout and Stacy Annon.
11. Terms and Conditions/Certificate of Originality. The instructor warrants that the design to be taught is an original or that permission has been granted to said instructor for teaching this class and that it does not infringe on the copyright of another. Instructor agrees to hold harmless the Washington State Gourd Society for any claims and/or suits arising from said design being taught. Instructor further agrees to assume responsibility for defense costs arising from any such action.
12. As a participant in the Washington State Gourd Society's "Northwest Gourd Workshops" and to the extent permitted by law, I hereby indemnify and hold harmless the Washington State Gourd Society (WSGS) and Kittitas Valley Event Center, their agents and employees, against any loss, cost, damage, personal injuries including death, judgment or liability of any kind including legal expenses arising from or related to acts or omissions of participant.

Send applications to: nwgourdart@gmail.com or NW Gourd Workshops, c/o Stacy Annon 3113 Crystal Springs Rd W, University Place, WA 98466 or call Stacy at 253-973-6117 for consultation.

Agreed to by (teacher signature): _____ Date: _____