

# Phelps Mill Festival



July 11 and 12, 2026

Phelps Mill County Park, Underwood, MN

Saturday 9:30 – 5:00 Sunday 9:30 – 4:00

Sponsored by Phelps Mill Country

## NEW ARTIST APPLICATION PROGRAM—YEAR THREE

With a continuing focus on fine arts and fine crafts, this unique, successful event blends entertainment, food and an inspirational setting. With the century-old mill and river in the background, this park makes a perfect spot for the area's largest art event of the year. The Phelps Mill Festival is providing an opportunity for three new and emerging fine artists and three new and emerging fine crafters to apply to our show and receive a free booth space and the use of a 10 x 10 canopy, along with paid insurance for the event.

This program will not apply to food artisans.

1. You must be an artist that has never sold your products at a juried art festival. This means you have never been part of a art show that requires images of your product and you are scored based on artistic criteria.
2. We will accept applications in fine arts and fine crafts. We want products that are made by you from the beginning to the finished product.
3. You must be at least 18 years old.
4. If accepted, you must have enough artwork to sell for the full weekend.
5. You will be required to get a Minnesota Sales Tax number.
6. The three highest scored artists in fine art and the three highest scored artists in fine crafts will be admitted. If there is a tie, a drawing will be held to determine the artist that will be awarded the free space. Management also reserves the right to limit artists in each category.

**ELIGIBILITY** – Only original work handmade by the artist is eligible for the show and sale. No molds, kits, ceramics from molds, food items, etc. No items contracted out and/or made by someone else and/or resale items. Limited editions must be signed, numbered and many not constitute more than 20% of display. Failure to return on Sunday will result in ineligibility for future Festivals. Only the media represented in your application photos and approved may be sold. Failure to comply may result in removal of items, or in some instances, to leave with no refund.

**MEDIA CATEGORIES** – Media categories are listed on the application. Only fine arts and fine crafts will be eligible.

**BOOTH AND ENTRY FEES** – No fee for this program. The Festival will waive your fee for a 10 x 10 booth space, pay for your insurance, and provide a canopy for your use at this year's festival. You must provide displays, and products and anything else you need to set up your booth for the event.

**REGISTRATION, SET-UP, UNLOADING AND PARKING** – Registration on Friday will be from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. with set-up continuing until 9:00 p.m. OR registration will be on Saturday from 6:00 to 8:00 a.m. with set-up continuing until 9:00 a.m. YOU MUST BE REGISTERED BY 8:00 A.M. ON SATURDAY. Exhibitor parking is by permit in the designated area. Security is provided for Friday and Saturday night. Items left in your booth will be at your discretion. Phelps Mill Country does not assume responsibility for losses. Details and additional information will be sent in the confirmation letter.

**ARTIST IMAGES** – All applicants must submit 4-6 digital images loaded on a USB flash drive. Images must be in JPEG format. Mail your application and images in an envelope with sufficient postage. You must include a Self-Addressed/Stamped Envelope with your application. If you would like your flash drive returned, please be sure your return envelope will accommodate the size of your media and with appropriate postage Your name must be on your CD/flash drive.

**DEADLINE** – Applications must be postmarked by April 1, 2026 in order to be considered. Notice of acceptance or rejection will be mailed out no later than May 1, 2024.



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PHELPS MILL FESTIVAL—JULY 11 and 12, 2026**

**MUST BE POSTMARKED BY APRIL 1st  
Mail to: Ken Martin, Festival Manager,  
2438 330th Ave. Rothsay, MN 56579**

**Use this application if you are applying for a free space for new and emerging artists.**

Artist Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you prefer to be listed by your name or business: \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_ Business

Describe your work in **ONLY 2 to 6 words** (for printed material) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ MN Sale Tax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Name and Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe work to be displayed: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs/Requests \_\_\_\_\_

**SELECT YOUR MEDIA CATEGORY – IF YOU CHOOSE MORE THAN ONE CATEGORY, PLEASE INCLUDE % OF EACH MEDIA CATEGORY PRODUCT THAT YOU WILL BE SELLING IN YOUR BOOTH. ONLY APPLICATIONS IN THE CATEGORIES LISTED BELOW WILL BE CONSIDERED.**

**FINE ART CATEGORIES**

<input type="checkbox"/> 1.1 Paintings & Drawings	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.2 Pottery & Other Ceramics	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.3 Photography
<input type="checkbox"/> 1.4 Sculpture	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.5 Fine Jewelry	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.6 Calligraphy
<input type="checkbox"/> 2.1 Basketry	<input type="checkbox"/> 2.2 Carving	<input type="checkbox"/> 2.3 Glass
<input type="checkbox"/> 2.4 Folk Painting	<input type="checkbox"/> 2.5 Batik	<input type="checkbox"/> 2.6 Leather
<input type="checkbox"/> 2.7 Polymer Clay	<input type="checkbox"/> 2.8 Other Art Form _____	<input type="checkbox"/> 2.9 Mixed Media – Fine Art

**FINE CRAFT CATEGORIES:**

<input type="checkbox"/> 3.1 Spinning & Weaving	<input type="checkbox"/> 3.2 Rugs	<input type="checkbox"/> 3.3 Other Textiles
<input type="checkbox"/> 4.1 Metal – Blacksmithing	<input type="checkbox"/> 4.2 Metal - Other	
<input type="checkbox"/> 5.1 Wood - Furniture	<input type="checkbox"/> 5.2 Wood – Toys	<input type="checkbox"/> 5.3 Wood - Accessories
<input type="checkbox"/> 5.4 Wood - Other (Misc. - painted)		
<input type="checkbox"/> 6 Misc. Fine Crafts	<input type="checkbox"/> 7 Floral Arrangements	<input type="checkbox"/> 8 Jewelry
<input type="checkbox"/> 9.1 Apparel – Enhanced	<input type="checkbox"/> 9.2 Apparel - Other	
<input type="checkbox"/> 10.1 Knitting & Crocheting	<input type="checkbox"/> 10.2 Hardanger, Embroidery & Other	
<input type="checkbox"/> 11.4 Stitchery-Stuffed Animals/Dolls	<input type="checkbox"/> 11.5 Stitchery - Doll Clothes	<input type="checkbox"/> 11.6 Stitchery - Other
<input type="checkbox"/> 12.1 Soaps & Lotions	<input type="checkbox"/> 12.2 Mixed Media (List) _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> 13 Authors & Books		

**Remember to include your images on a CD in JPEG format (4 to 6 images). YOU MUST INCLUDE A SELF-ADDRESSED-STAMPED-ENVELOPE WITH YOUR APPLICATION. IT NEEDS TO BE EITHER A BUSINESS-SIZED ENVELOPE OR LARGE ENOUGH TO ACCOMMODATE YOUR CD, IF YOU WANT IT BACK AND SUFFICIENT RETURN POSTAGE.**

**SIGNATURE I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE NOT DISPLAYED MY ARTWORK IN A JURIED ART SHOW IN THE PAST.**

I have read the application policies and the rules outlined in this Application and by signing this agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the Festival, understanding that failing to do so may result in my being asked to leave the Show, without refund, and that I may not be eligible for future Festivals. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless PHELPS MILL COUNTRY and Otter Tail County for any losses, claims, or liability that may arise as a result of my entry in the Show.

ARTIST

DATE